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Robla New Hope
Charter School

New Hope Charter School

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

Date and Time
Monday March 9, 2026 at 4:30 PM

Location
201 Jessie Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95838

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Directors Present
Kim Howard (remote), Lisa Fong (remote)

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present
Casey Jower (remote), Herinder Pegany

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Kim Howard called a meeting of the board of directors of New Hope Charter School to order on Monday Mar 9, 2026 at 4:34 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Approval of Agenda

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes: January 26, 2026

Lisa Fong made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the Governing Board on 01-26-26.
Kim Howard seconded the motion.
4:35 pm
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Reports

A. Fiscal Update: Fiscal Year 2025-26 2nd Interim Financial Report

Casey Jower
SpEd costs higher than anticipated, but able to cut costs elsewhere
No new "revenue" this fiscal year, at this time

Second Interim Enrollment Assumptions

- 164 students in 25-26

Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

- Total Revenue 3M, not including grants and fundraising we have yet to secure
- Negative fund balance, 562K
- Projected to be positive by 2029
- Enrollment needs to be increased, and/or secure funds from grants and fundraising

- Ongoing improvement in test scores will support funding decisions (efficacy of NHCS program)
- Helpful to get enrollment to 180? Also helpful to increase K-6th online independent study
- El Dorado Charter SELPA is helping with SpEd funding
- High number of Speech and Language services account for significant costs

Charter School Second Interim Form

- Codes revenues, expenditures
- Actuals through 1/31/26 and 2nd Interim Budget

B. Executive Director Report: Update on New Hope Charter School

Herinder Pegany

Academics

- English Language Proficiency Assessment ELPAC
- 51% moved to next level
- 14 students redesignated as Fluent
- ELA and Math assessment
- LCAP, three goals, staff input. Next is 4.13.26. Thursday early release for staff PLC.
- Efficacy of individual goal setting on CAASPP
- Impact of four or more IFAB's (assessment practice from SBAC website) on growth
- Lisa available to consult; will send Herinder dates

Student-led Conferences

- 97% of families participated
- Academic and character goals
- Data on progress
- New goals

Spring Intersession

- 4 hours, 5 days
- ELA, ELD, and Math

8th Grade Promotion

- Reviewing appeals for below standard on GPA and Behavior (Policy set and families agree to policy at beginning of school year in August. Thursday grade checks. Fall conference shows current status and plan for their trajectory.)
- About 17 students received a contract to earn the opportunity
- North Natomas Community Center
- Trying to live stream the ceremony
- June 10, 3:30 pm

IV. Discussion/Action Items

A. Consideration and approval of Fiscal Year 2025-26 2nd Interim Financial Report

Lisa Fong made a motion to approve.
Kim Howard seconded the motion.
5:12 pm
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Consideration and approval of NHCS Immigration Enforcement Policy

AB 49 Safe Haven Schools Acts

- Policies for inquiries from ICE agents
- Staff training at next meeting
- Immediate communication with families
- Reinforces policies that were already in place at NHCS
- Suggestion to have a mock simulation to walk through/practice staff response
- In the Robla community, two elementary families had been visited at their home in the last couple of months

Lisa Fong made a motion to approve.
Kim Howard seconded the motion.
5:17 pm
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Future Business

A. Requests from Board Members

Herinder Pegany - future board member recruitment, facilities
5.11.26 Board Meeting will be rescheduled to one week prior or one week later

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Fong