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# Camino Nuevo Charter Academy

## Minutes

### CNCA Regular Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 4:30 PM

#### **Location**

3500 W. Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90026

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This meeting is open to the public at the CNHS Dalzell Lance Auditorium at 3500 W. Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90004.

The board meeting is also accessible at every CNCA Campus via teleconference connection:

CNCA Burlington 697 S. Burlington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90057

CNCA Kayne Siart 3400 W. 3rd Street., Los Angeles, CA 90020

CNCA Jose A. Castellanos 1723 W. Cordova St., Los Angeles, CA 90007

CNCA Jane B. Eisner 2755 W 15th St., Los Angeles, CA 90006

CNCA Sandra Cisneros 1018 Mohawk St., Los Angeles, CA 90026

Members of the public who wish to address the Board may make public comment at any of the meeting locations. Public comments are limited to 2 minutes each. The Board Chair has the discretion to modify the amount of time allotted for public comment if they deem it necessary. Brown Act regulations restrict the Board from discussing or taking action on any subject presented that is not on the agenda.

The CNCA Board can also be contacted via email at [cnca.board@caminonuevo.org](mailto:cnca.board@caminonuevo.org).

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#### **Directors Present**

D. Gidlow, E. Lopez, F. Jimenez, G. Flores, J. Hernandez, L. Jennings, R. Arenas, T. Powers

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**Directors Absent**

C. Garcia Alvarado, J. Ortega

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

E. Lopez

**Guests Present**

A. Abich, S. Herrera

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

D. Gidlow called a meeting of the board of directors of Camino Nuevo Charter Academy to order on Tuesday Oct 10, 2023 at 4:32 PM.

**C. Chair Announcements**

**II. Approve Minutes**

**A. Approve 8-15-2023 CNCA Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

G. Flores made a motion to approve the minutes from CNCA Regular Board Meeting on 08-15-23.

L. Jennings seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| L. Jennings        | Aye     |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye     |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye     |
| E. Lopez           | Absent  |
| R. Arenas          | Aye     |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent  |
| J. Ortega          | Absent  |
| T. Powers          | Abstain |
| G. Flores          | Aye     |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye     |

**B. Approve 8-21-2023 CNCA Special Board Meeting Minutes**

G. Flores made a motion to approve the minutes from CNCA Special Board Meeting on 08-21-23.

D. Gidlow seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| D. Gidlow          | Aye     |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent  |
| T. Powers          | Abstain |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye     |
| R. Arenas          | Aye     |
| L. Jennings        | Abstain |
| J. Ortega          | Absent  |
| E. Lopez           | Absent  |
| G. Flores          | Aye     |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye     |

**C. Approve 9-14-2023 CNCA, PNEDG & GNLA Board Retreat Minutes**

R. Arenas made a motion to approve the minutes from CNCA, PNEDG & GNLA Board Retreat on 09-14-23.

L. Jennings seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| F. Jimenez         | Aye     |
| L. Jennings        | Aye     |
| J. Ortega          | Absent  |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent  |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye     |
| J. Hernandez       | Abstain |
| G. Flores          | Aye     |
| E. Lopez           | Absent  |
| R. Arenas          | Aye     |
| T. Powers          | Abstain |

**III. Public Comment**

**A. 2-Minute Limit per Speaker**

The educators following addressed the board:  
Marquetta Nolen, teacher from the Eisner campus  
Chelsey Strawbridge, from the Dalzell Lance campus  
Laura Farrel, from the Dalzell Lance campus

Board Member Lida Jennings also addressed the board  
E. Lopez arrived at 4:30 PM.

**IV. Consent Agenda**

**A.**

### **ELOP MOA Los Angeles County Parks**

L. Jennings made a motion to approve an agreement with the Los Angeles County Parks Dept. to be able to rent any of their spaces.

J. Hernandez seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| G. Flores          | Aye    |
| J. Ortega          | Absent |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |
| T. Powers          | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye    |
| E. Lopez           | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |

## **V. School and Academic Updates**

### **A. CAO Update**

Rachel Hazlehurst, CAO, updated the board on teacher and leader professional development strategy as a key tactic in driving our academic goals this year.

### **B. Attendance Updates**

Jeannette Sandoval, Director of Student Experience, provided data from the first month of the 23-24 school year.

### **C. Enrollment Updates**

Crystal Day, Director of Strategic Enrollment, gave an update on enrollment data for the 23-24 school year, along with current enrollment numbers.

## **VI. Contracts**

### **A. Mind Body Awareness Project ELOP Contract**

E. Lopez made a motion to approve the Mind Body Awareness project ELOP contract.

J. Hernandez seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| E. Lopez           | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| J. Ortega          | Absent |
| T. Powers          | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye    |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |
| G. Flores          | Aye    |

**VII. Policies**

**A. Homeless and Foster Youth Policy**

L. Jennings made a motion to approve the Homeless and Foster Youth Policy for the new school year.

T. Powers seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |
| E. Lopez           | Aye    |
| G. Flores          | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye    |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| T. Powers          | Aye    |
| J. Ortega          | Absent |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |

**VIII. Williams Resolution**

**A. Williams Resolution**

G. Flores made a motion to approve the Williams resolution / EC Section 60119.

L. Jennings seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |

**Roll Call**

|            |        |
|------------|--------|
| E. Lopez   | Aye    |
| G. Flores  | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez | Aye    |
| T. Powers  | Aye    |
| J. Ortega  | Absent |

**IX. Financials**

**A. June Financials**

Sonia Oliva, VP ExED, shared June financials.

**B. August Financials**

Sonia Oliva, VP ExED, shared August financials.

**C. Approve FY22-23 SACS Unaudited Actuals - CNCA, CNCA#2, CNCA#3, CNCA#4, CNHS#2**

G. Flores made a motion to approve FY22-23 SACS unaudited actuals for CNCA (1-4) and CNHS.

D. Gidlow seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| J. Ortega          | Absent |
| T. Powers          | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |
| E. Lopez           | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye    |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| G. Flores          | Aye    |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |

**D. CNCA Arts & Music Spending Plan(s) : CNCA #1, CNCA # 2, CNCA #3, CNCA#4, CNHS #2**

G. Flores made a motion to approve CNCA Arts and Music spending plans.

L. Jennings seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |

**Roll Call**

|              |        |
|--------------|--------|
| T. Powers    | Aye    |
| E. Lopez     | Aye    |
| G. Flores    | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez   | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez | Aye    |
| J. Ortega    | Absent |

**E. Employee Retention Credit**

L. Jennings made a motion to approve proceeding with Employee Retention Credit recovery plans.

D. Gidlow seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| C. Garcia Alvarado | Absent |
| G. Flores          | Aye    |
| J. Ortega          | Absent |
| T. Powers          | Aye    |
| E. Lopez           | Aye    |
| R. Arenas          | Aye    |
| J. Hernandez       | Aye    |
| F. Jimenez         | Aye    |
| L. Jennings        | Aye    |
| D. Gidlow          | Aye    |

**X. Committee Updates**

**A. Finance Committee Updates**

Gil Flores, chair of the Finance Committee, shared updates with the board.

**B. Audit Committee Meeting**

David Gidlow, chair of the Audit Committee, shared updates with the board on the status of the SY2022-2023 audit.

**XI. CEO Updates**

**A. CEO Updates**

Adriana Abich, CEO, shared updates regarding the local political landscape, renewal updates, and advocacy strategy.

**XII. Closed Session**

**A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation CEO G.C. 54957(b)(1)**

The board moved into closed session at 6:20pm.

The board returned to open session at 6:56pm.

No action was taken.

### **XIII. 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 6:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
E. Lopez