



Excel Academy (CA)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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Date and Time

Thursday June 11, 2026 at 10:00 AM PDT

Location

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			10:00 AM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		William Hall	1 m
B. Record Attendance		William Hall	1 m
Roll Call:			
William Hall, President			
Michael Humphrey, Vice President			
Steve Fraire, Clerk			
Susan Houle, Member			
Larry Alvarado, Member			
II. Pledge of Allegiance			10:02 AM
A. Led by Board President or designee.		William Hall	1 m
III. Approve/Adopt Agenda			10:03 AM
A. Agenda	Vote	William Hall	1 m
It is recommended the Board of Directors adopt as presented, the agenda for the Regular Board meeting of June 11, 2026.			
Roll Call Vote:			

William Hall
Michael Humphrey
Steve Fraire
Susan Houle
Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

Purpose

Presenter

Time

IV. Approve Minutes

10:04 AM

- A.** Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on May 14, 2026 Approve Minutes William Hall 1 m

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall
Michael Humphrey
Steve Fraire
Susan Houle
Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

V. Public Comments/Recognition/Reports

Please submit a Request to Speak to the Board of Directors using the chat feature on the right hand side of the Zoom platform. Please state the agenda item number that you wish to address prior to the agenda item being called by the Board President. Not more than three (3) minutes are to be allotted to any one (1) speaker, and no more than twenty (20) minutes on the same subject. This portion of the agenda is for comments, recognitions and reports to the Board and is not intended to be a question and answer period. If you have questions for the Board, please provide the Board President with a written statement and an administrator will provide answers at a later date.

VI. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports

10:05 AM

- A.** Excel Academy Year in Review - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Superintendent Discuss Heidi Gasca 10 m

[Year in Review Video](#)

VII. Consent

10:15 AM

Purpose

Presenter

Time

Items listed under Consent are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the Consent upon the request of any member of the Board, discussed, and acted upon separately.

A. Consent - Business/Financial Services

1. Check Register - May 2026
2. Cash Payments - May 2026
3. Approval of McDougal Boehmer Foley Lyon Mitchell & Erickson Agreement for Legal Services for 2026-2027

B. Consent - Education Student/Services

1. Approval of the 2026-2027 Curriculum Menus & Curriculum Catalog

C. Consent - Personnel Services

1. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report
2. Approval of Classified Personnel Report

D. Consent Items - Policy Development

Vote

William Hall

1 m

Approval of existing board policies revised, reviewed, and eliminated by staff for the 2026-2027 school year.

Board Policies: Revised

The following are current policies that have been revised to provide clarity or alignment with changes in law or procedures.

3000 Series - Purchasing/Fiscal

- 3000 - EA Fiscal Policy Overview
- 3005 - EA Fiscal Policy - Purchasing
- 3011 - EA Accounts Payable and Record Keeping
- 3035 - EA Investment Policy

5000 Series - Student Services

- 5015 - EA Title IX, Harassment, Intimidation, Discrimination, and Bullying Policy
- 5035 - EA Student Freedom of Speech and Expression Policy

Purpose	Presenter	Time
5045 - EA Internet & Computer System Acceptable Use Policy		
5050 - EA Academic Integrity Policy		
5065 - EA Enrollment Policy		
5075 - EA Transcripts from Non-Accredited Schools Policy		
5085 - EA Communicable Contagious or Infectious Disease Prevention		
5110 - EA Cell Phone & Other Electronic Signaling Devices Policy		

6000 Series - Instruction

6055 - EA Educational Use and Activity Policy

Board Policies: Eliminated:

The following policies have been eliminated:

5060 - EA Artificial Intelligence (AI) Use Policy for Students

Items in the consent agenda are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion.

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

VIII. Business/Financial Services

10:16 AM

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| A. | Approval of the California Charter School Association (CCSA) Membership for 2026-2027 (Renewal) | Vote | Heidi Gasca | 2 m |
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It is recommended the Board approve the CCSA Membership Renewal for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: \$47,616.00/year

Warner (#2053): \$29,521.92

Helendale (#2073): \$18,094.08

Purpose

Presenter

Time

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

- B.** Approval of the School Pathways LLC Agreement for 2026-27 (Renewal) Vote Heidi Gasca 3 m

It is recommended the Board approve School Pathways LLC Agreement renewal for 2026-2027 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: \$138,211.22

Warner (#2053): \$78,701.29

Helendale (#2073): \$59,509.93

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

- C.** Approval of the Stampli Contract (Renewal) Vote Joe Sorrera 2 m

It is recommended the Board approve the Stampli Contract Renewal for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: \$50,000.00

Warner (#2053): \$29,500.00

Helendale (#2073): \$20,500.00

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
D. Approval of 2026-27 Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS)	Vote	Joe Sorrera	2 m

Excel Academy Charter School (EACS) submits the Consolidated Application to the California Department of Education (CDE) under the Consolidated Reporting System (CARS). There are two data collections for Consolidated Application each year (winter and spring). The Consolidated Application Spring Data collection is from May 15 through June 30.

Data collected in this report includes EACS 2026-27 Application for Funding for Title I, Title II, Title III, and Title IV, Certification of Assurances, Protected Prayer Certification, and LCAP Federal Addendum Certification.

It is recommended the Board of Directors approve the 2025/26 Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS) for Excel Academy Charter School, Helendale (#2073), Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

E. Approval of the Proposition 28 Arts & Music in Schools (AMS) Funding Annual Report - Fiscal Year 2025-2026	Vote	Joe Sorrera	3 m
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It is recommended the Board approve the Proposition 28 Arts & Music in Schools (AMS) Funding Annual Report - Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Purpose Presenter Time

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

IX. Education Services

10:28 AM

- A.** Approval of Imagine Learning Licenses True-Up Vote Heidi Gasca 2 m

It is recommended the Board approve the Imagine Learning Licenses True-Up for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: \$27,300.00

Warner: \$16,926.00

Helendale: \$10,374.00

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

X. Personnel Services

10:30 AM

- A.** Approval of MarshMcLennan Agency Insurance Proposal Vote Tahj Haywood 5 m

It is recommended the Board approve the MarshMcLennan Agency Insurance Proposal 2026-2027 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: See attached premium rates.

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
B.	Approval of MarshMcLennan Agency Health & Welfare Benefits	Vote Reese O'Neil	5 m
It is recommended the Board approve the MarshMcLennan Agency Health & Welfare Benefits 2026-2027 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).			
Fiscal Impact: See attached premium rates.			
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
C.	Approval of STRS Certification	Vote Heidi Gasca	2 m
It is recommended the Board approve the STRS Certification for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).			
Fiscal Impact: N/A			
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
D.	Approval of Annual Superintendent/CEO Evaluation Timeline and Plan	Vote Heidi Gasca	3 m

It is recommended the Board approve the 2026-2027 Superintendent/CEO Evaluation Timeline and Plan as presented for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073) and Warner (#2053).

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

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| E. Approval of Superintendent of Schools' Employment Agreement and Salary Placement | Vote | Heidi Gasca | 3 m |
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It is recommended the Board approve the Superintendent of Schools' Employment Agreement and Salary Placement for Excel Academy Charter School, and place the Superintendent/CEO on Range 1 Step 12 of the proposed salary schedule, effective July 1, 2026.

Fiscal Impact: \$243,473.00

Warner (#2053): \$150,953.26

Helendale (\$2073): \$92,519.74

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

XI. Policy Development			10:48 AM
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| A. Approval of New Board Policies | Vote | Heidi Gasca | 3 m |
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It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed policies.

Board Policies: New

1000 Series - Community Relations

1040 - EA Extreme Weather Safety Policy

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

XII. Public Hearing

10:51 AM

- A.** Local Indicators and Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP) 2026-27 Discuss Jenny Craig 10 m

Education Code Section 47606.5, states that the Governing Board of a charter school shall hold a public hearing as part of the process to adopt the 2026-27 Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAP) for Excel Academy Charter School. The first reading of the 2026-27 LCAPs and the Local Performance Indicator Self-Reflection reports for the California School Dashboard will be presented during the hearing. It is recommended the Board enter into a public hearing regarding the LCAP for 2026-27. During the hearing there will be a presentation on the LCAP for 2026-27.

- a. 2026-27 LCAP Plan (Helendale)
- b. 2026-27 LCAP Plan (Warner)

Hearing Open: _____ Hearing Closed: _____

- B.** Proposed Budget 2026-2027 Discuss Joe Sorrera 10 m

It is recommended the Board enter into a public hearing regarding the Proposed Budget for the 2025-26 school year. During the hearing there will be a presentation on the Proposed Budget for the 2025-26 school year.

- a. 2026-27 Preliminary Budget
- b. 2025-26 Education Protection Account (EPA) Plan Actuals (Helendale)
- c. 2025-26 Education Protection Account (EPA) Plan Actuals (Warner)
- d. 2026-27 Education Protection Account (EPA) Multi-Year Plan (Helendale)
- e. 2026-27 Education Protection Account (EPA) Multi-Year Plan (Warner)

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
f. 2026-27 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents (Helendale)			
g. 2026-27 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents (Warner)			

Hearing Open: _____ Hearing Closed: _____

XIII. Calendar

The next scheduled Regular Board Meeting will be held on June 18, 2026.

XIV. Comments

11:11 AM

A. Board Comments

4 m

B. CEO Comments

3 m

XV. Closing Items

11:18 AM

A. Adjourn Meeting

Vote

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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