



Excel Academy (CA)

Special Meeting of the Board of Directors

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Date and Time

Thursday August 20, 2026 at 10:00 AM PDT

Location

Excel Academy Charter School

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Zoom Meeting Information:

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Meeting ID: 976 4326 8133

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MISSION STATEMENT

At Excel Academy, we invest in each student by providing a personalized and engaging learning experience centered on a collaborative partnership between school and home that creates unmatched opportunities for excellence and future success.

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

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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. Approve/Adopt Agenda			10:02 AM
A. Approval of Agenda for August 20, 2026 Special Meeting of the Board of Directors	Vote	William Hall	1 m
It is recommended the Board approve the agenda for the August 20, 2026, Special Meeting of the Board of Directors.			
Roll Call Vote:			
William Hall			
Michael Humphrey			
Steve Fraire			
Susan Houle			
Larry Alvarado			
Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			

III. Point of Order

Parliamentary procedure requires motions to be made and seconded by voting members of the Board. To approve a motion, the Board President must call for a vote. Excel Academy Charter Schools customarily conducts Board votes by roll call, with each voting member stating "aye" or "nay". A member's motion or second cannot be inferred as an affirmative vote. Each voting member must separately cast their vote when called upon.

IV. Public Comments

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.

V. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports 10:03 AM

A.	Published Staff Report for the Approval of Excel Academy Charter-Irvine Appeal Petition - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Superintendent	Discuss	Heidi Gasca	3 m
B.	Review of the Memorandum of Understanding between Excel Academy-OC and the Orange County Department of Education - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Superintendent	Discuss	Heidi Gasca	5 m

VI. Consent 10:11 AM

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 Items - Business Services

1. Check Register - June 2026
2. Check Register - July 2026

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	3. Cash Payments - June 2026 4. Cash Payments - July 2026 5. Approval of Chromebook Donations 6. Approval of School Pathways Subscription for Excel Academy Charter - OC 7. Approval of Harbottle Law Group Retainer Agreement 8. Ratification of Macbook Air Laptops for Staff		
B.	Consent Items - Charter Affairs		
	1. Approval of Excel Academy Charter School - Irvine Appeal Petition		
C.	Consent Items - Education/Student Services		
	1. Approval of the 2026-2027 Special Education Parent Handbook 2. Approval of the 2026-2027 Special Education Contracted Vendors List 3. Approval of the 2026-2027 Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services Master Contract and Individual Service Agreement 4. Approval of the 2026-2027 English Learner Master Plan 5. Ratification of 4Imprint Invoice		
D.	Consent Items - Minutes		
	1. Approval of Minutes for June 11, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors 2. Approval of Minutes for June 18, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors		
E.	Consent Items - Personnel Services		
	1. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report 2. Approval of Classified Personnel Report 3. Approval of EACS Travel Manual Revisions 4. Approval of 2026 Revised IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate 5. Approval of Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) Credentialing & Coursework Completion Timeline		
F.	Consent Items - Policy Development	Vote	1 m

Approval of existing board policies revised 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:

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3000 Series - Business/Non-Instructional

3011 - EA Accounts Payable and Record Keeping Fiscal Policy

5000 Series - Student Services

5050 - EA Academic Integrity & Artificial Intelligence Use Policy

6000 Series - Instruction

6210 - EA Graduation Policy

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 _____

VII. Board Governance	10:12 AM
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| A. | Approval of the Excel Academy Charter School
Revised Board Calendar | Vote | Heidi Gasca | 3 m |
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It is recommended that the Board approve the revised Board Calendar for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073), Warner (#2053) and Orange County.

Roll Call Vote:

William Hall

Michael Humphrey

Steve Fraire

Susan Houle

Larry Alvarado

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

VIII. Business Services	10:15 AM
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| A. | Approval of the Updated Budget Allocations | Vote | Joe Mills | 5 m |
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	Purpose	Presenter	Time
It is recommended the Board approve the Updated Budget Allocations for 2026-2027 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073), Warner (#2053) and Orange County. Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
B.	Approval of Additional Chromebooks Purchase	Vote Joe Mills	3 m
It is recommended the Board approve the additional Chromebooks purchase for 2026-2027 for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073), Warner (#2053) and Orange County. Fiscal Impact: \$143,251.69 Warner (#2053): \$88,816.05 Helendale (#2073): \$54,435.64 Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
IX.	Personnel Services		10:23 AM
A.	Approval of the Excel Academy Supplemental Retirement Plans - 403b and 457b	Vote Megan Anderson	3 m
It is recommended the Board approve the Retirement Plan - 403b and 457b, as presented for Excel Academy Charter Schools, Helendale (#2073), Warner (#2053) and Orange County. Roll Call Vote: William Hall			

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Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
B. Approval of Election to Participate in the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS)	Vote	Megan Anderson	3 m
It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the resolution and election for Excel Academy Charter School – Orange County to become a participating employer in the California State Teachers' Retirement System (CalSTRS) for all eligible certificated personnel, as presented.			
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			
X. Closing Items			10:29 AM
A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	William Hall	1 m
Roll Call Vote: William Hall Michael Humphrey Steve Fraire Susan Houle Larry Alvarado Moved by _____ Seconded by _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Absent _____			

FOR MORE INFORMATION
For more information concerning this agenda, contact
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