

## Excel Academy (CA)

## **Minutes**

## Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday February 9, 2023 at 10:00 AM

Location

The meeting will be held virtually.

Join by telephone or via Zoom conferencing link below:

Dial In: +1 669 444 9171 US Meeting ID: 839 8437 5400

Join URL: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83984375400

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

Excel Academy will provide flexible, personalized learning through a customized course of study that will educate, motivate, and instill a love of learning in each individual student. Teachers and parents will join together to maintain high expectations and promote academic excellence for all students creating the next generation of leaders.

#### 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.

#### REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY

The Governing Board's presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

# REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting of the Governing Board may request assistance by contacting Excel Academy Charter Schools.

#### **Directors Present**

L. Alvarado (remote), M. Humphrey (remote), S. Fraire, S. Houle (remote), W. Hall (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

None

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

W. Hall called a meeting of the board of directors of Excel Academy (CA) to order on Thursday Feb 9, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

#### **B.** Record Attendance

#### **II. Board Governance**

### A. Approval of Resolution No. 2023-2-9 Recognizing a State of Emergency and Re-Authorizing Teleconferenced Meetings Pursuant to AB 361

- M. Humphrey made a motion to Bill Hall.
- L. Alvarado seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

S. Fraire Absent

#### B. Review Plan for In-Person Meetings of the Board

Kevin Davis discussed the updates on the teleconferencing law according to SB 361, and informed the board of their options moving forward.

#### III. Approve/Adopt Agenda

#### A. Agenda

- M. Humphrey made a motion to Bill Hall.
- S. Houle seconded the motion.

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

#### **IV. Approve Minutes**

#### A. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 12, 2023

- S. Fraire made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 01-12-23.
- S. Houle seconded the motion.

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

#### V. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports

#### A. School Highlights - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Executive Director/CEO

Executive Director Heidi Gasca gave a brief overview of Excel Academy from the month of January.

#### B. Student Showcase - Cast Members from Excel Academy's Theater Program

A group of students shared their experience of being in the theater program at Excel Academy.

# C. Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Update - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Executive Director/CEO

Executive Director Heidi Gasca gave a review of the recent WASC visit and evaluation.

# D. State Budget Overview - Presented by Joe Sorrera, Director of Business Services Director of Business Services Joe Sorrera gave an update of the State Budget.

# E. 2023-2024 Board Meeting Calendar - First Reading - Presented by Heidi Gasca, Executive Director/CEO

#### VI. Consent

- A. Consent Business/Financial Services
- B. Consent Education Student/Services
- C. Consent Personnel Services
- D. Consent items listed under A through C are considered routine and will be approved/adopted by a single motion.
  - M. Humphrey made a motion to Bill Hall.
  - S. Fraire seconded the motion.

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

#### VII. Business/Financial Services

#### A. Approval of Independent Contractor Services Agreement for Special Education

- S. Houle made a motion to Bill Hall.
- S. Fraire seconded the motion.

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

#### VIII. Calendar

#### A. Calendar

The next meeting will be held on March 9, 2023. There will NOT be a study session.

#### IX. Comments

#### A. Board Comments

The Board remarked on hearing from the students from the theater program, as well as the parents. The Board congratulated Heidi on the WASC review, as well as the California Distinguished School recognition, and commended Joe on his presentation.

#### **B. CEO Comments**

Heidi recognized her staff on the meeting and reflected on Excel's All Staff meeting the day prior, and how much passion the staff has for the students and the school.

#### X. 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 11:02 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. Hall

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information concerning this agenda, contact Excel Academy Charter School.