APPROVED

Excel Academy (CA)

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Date and Time
Thursday September 14, 2023 at 10:20 AM

Location

Excel Academy Charter School
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Irvine, CA 92618

Regus- Gateway Chula Vista
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Zoom Meeting Information:
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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.

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Directors Present

L. Alvarado, S. Fraire, S. Houle, W. Hall

Directors Absent

M. Humphrey

Guests Present

L. Hansen

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

B. Record Attendance

II. Approve/Adopt Agenda

A. Agenda

S. Fraire made a motion to Bill Hall.
L. Alvarado seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Fraire	Aye
W. Hall	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
S. Houle	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye

III. Approve Minutes

A.

Approve Minutes

S. Fraire made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on 06-22-23.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Houle	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
W. Hall	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye

B. Approve Minutes

S. Fraire made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors Study Session on 08-17-23.
L. Alvarado seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Alvarado	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
S. Houle	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye
W. Hall	Aye

IV. Adjourn to Closed Session

A. The Board will consider and may act on any of the Closed Session matters.

S. Fraire made a motion to Bil Hall.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

L. Alvarado	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
S. Houle	Aye
W. Hall	Aye

V. Closed Session

A. Closed Session

No action was taken.

VI. Reconvene Regular Meeting

A. Report out any action taken in closed session.

No action was taken.

VII. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports

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

Heidi Gasca presented updates from the month of August, including highlights from EACS' All Staff PD, Special Education and General Education updates, and Community initiatives.

B. Student Achievement Data - Presented by Jenny Craig, Director of Assessment & Accountability

Jenny Craig presented on Student Achievement Data and the growth that EACS students had in reading and math over the course of the 22/23 school year, new assessment programs, and ELPAC celebrations.

C. Teacher Testimonials

Elementary Teacher Chiara Hawley shared on Excel Academy's TK Cohort, and Secondary Teacher Kimberly Platler shared on her science background and her work in selecting science curriculum, reviewing samples from students, and her work in teaching two marine biology classes.

VIII. Consent

A. Consent - Business/Financial Services

B. Consent - Education Student/Services

C. Consent - Personnel Services

D. Policy Development

E. Approve Consent Agenda

S. Houle made a motion to Bill Hall.
L. Alvarado seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Fraire	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye

Roll Call

W. Hall	Aye
S. Houle	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent

IX. Board Governance

A. Approval of Board of Directors Reappointment and Terms of Office

L. Alvarado made a motion to Bill Hall.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
Lauren reminded the Board that this item must be voted on before moving to the next item to perform the Oath of Office.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Fraire	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
S. Houle	Aye
W. Hall	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye

B. Administer Oath of Office

Steve Fraire and Susan Houle were sworn into office for their final three year term.

C. Approval of the 2023-2024 Annual Board Evaluation

S. Houle made a motion to Bill Hall.
S. Fraire seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Fraire	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye
S. Houle	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
W. Hall	Aye

X. Business/Financial Services

A. Approval of Unaudited Actuals for the 2022-2023 School Year

L. Alvarado made a motion to Bill Hall.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Houle	Aye

Roll Call

M. Humphrey	Absent
L. Alvarado	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye
W. Hall	Aye

B. Approval of 2023-24 Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS)

S. Fraire made a motion to Bill Hall.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Fraire	Aye
L. Alvarado	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
S. Houle	Aye
W. Hall	Aye

XI. Personnel Services

A. Approval of 2023-2024 Excel Academy Board of Directors and Executive Director/CEO Goals

L. Alvarado made a motion to Bill Hall.
S. Houle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

S. Houle	Aye
W. Hall	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
L. Alvarado	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye

B. Approve 2023-24 Executive Director/CEO Evaluation Process, Timeline, Evaluators, Evaluator Compensation, and Evaluation Template

S. Fraire made a motion to Bill Hall.
L. Alvarado seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

W. Hall	Aye
S. Houle	Aye
M. Humphrey	Absent
L. Alvarado	Aye
S. Fraire	Aye

XII. Board Comments

A. Board Comments

The Board commended the school on the financial standing, and the tracking system for expenditures. They welcomed the new staff to the school. Board Member Larry Alvarado suggested hourly staff to support special education students, as the sped staff had to be reduced. Board President Bill Hall agreed. The Board thanked the presenters and Excel staff in the room.

XIII. CEO Comments

A. CEO Comments

Heidi applauded her team for starting the school year and setting it up for success.

XIV. 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 11:52 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. Hall

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