APPROVED

Soleil Academy

Minutes

Soleil Academy Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday February 26, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location
12315 Thorson Ave Lynwood, CA. 90262 (Satellite Option: 3900 Agnes Ave. Lynwood, CA 90262)

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 756 458 5437
Passcode: 155911

Teleconference Location:
1150 S. Olive St, Suite 1325
Los Angeles, CA 90015

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN *that a Board Meeting will be held at 12315 Thorson Ave Lynwood, CA. 90262* and on zoom *on the above date and time. During the meeting, the Board will consider, discuss, and may take action upon any of the agenda items listed below.*

PUBLIC COMMENT – *Members of the public calling in or participating via Zoom will be given the opportunity to address the Board during the meeting. Members of the public who wish to comment during the Board meeting may use the "raise hand" function on the Zoom platform to indicate their desire to speak at the beginning of consideration of that agenda item or during the period provided for comments from the public on non-agenda items. Members of the public who wish to speak on any item are requested (but not required) to identify themselves and indicate on which agenda item they wish to speak. The Board will provide an opportunity for the public to speak on each agenda item for a maximum of three (3) minutes per person or six (6) minutes if a translation is required.*

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Directors Present
J. Noel, K. Armstrong, L. Safa, V. Reynolds (remote)

Directors Absent
S. Johnson, V. Gonzalez-Diaz

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
V. Reynolds

Guests Present
A. Grant (remote), M. Serrano, R. Avilez

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Noel called a meeting of the board of directors of Soleil Academy to order on Wednesday Feb 26, 2025 at 5:02 PM.

B. Record Attendance

V. Reynolds arrived at 5:05 PM.

II. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes from 2/1/25 Soleil Academy Board Meeting

K. Armstrong made a motion to Approve minutes from 2/1/25 Soleil Academy Board Meeting.

L. Safa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. School Safety Plan

K. Armstrong made a motion to approve School Safety Plan.
L. Safa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. 2025-26 Academic Calendar

K. Armstrong made a motion to approve 2025-26 Academic Calendar.
L. Safa seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Management Update

A. Soleil Management Updates

M. Serrano reviewed LCAP Goal progress:

- Goal 1
  - Community School Committee 2nd meeting took place
  - Utilizing result from SEL Survey
- Goal 2
  - Held Guided Reading Group PD
  - Shared strategies for Supporting Student Behavior
- Goal 3
  - Community School Committee
  - Cafecito
  - Know Your Rights PD
  - Sweetheart Dance
  - Literacy Nights

R. Avilez reviewed Operations Updates

- School-wide attendance
  - Month 7 ADA 88.83%: Lower than we have had in previous months. Attendance has picked up in the last 2 weeks and we are hoping to continue that trend.
  - J-13A form will be submitted to make up for some of the ADA that was lost.
- 2024-25 Enrollment- Nothing has changed since last meeting
- 2025-26 Enrollment
  - Received 104 interest forms
  - Families were notified of the Enrollment Lottery taking place on March 4 via Zoom

- Parent Engagement:
  - 53 families joined the Family Sweethearts Dance
  - 32 families attended the Know Your Rights Workshop. We will continue to hold more workshops in the coming months.
  - Black History Month celebration is coming up this week
  - Dyneka Campa visited the school to read her book Leo The Fearless Lion
- Upcoming events
  - Spring Fling Dance 3/14/25 at Soleil MT
  - Lynwood Easter Event- 4/19/25 (10am-2pm)
  - Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month Night Market- 5/16/25
  - 5th Grade Culmination Ceremony- 6/5/25
- Facilities- Soleil sent updates to FUA that we are requesting but are still waiting on response from the district.

B. Special Education Handbook

V. Reynolds made a motion to approve Special Education Handbook.
J. Noel seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Governance Committee

A. Updates

Board members should have already received communications on completing Form 700 (Conflict of Interest disclosure)

B. Brown Act Training

- Starting this year, all charter school boards must go through a two-hour ethics training
- The training consists of Brown Act, Conflicts, fiduciary duties, ethics training, and best board governance practices
- Discuss delivery method preferences (in-person at board meeting(s), via webinar, asynchronous)
- The board decided to find a time outside of regular board meetings to complete Brown Training in person.

V. Finance Committee

A. Updates

B. January Financials

- Enrollment is currently 0 students below budget and ADA is 12.76 above budget, contributing
  to an increase in LCFF Revenue.
- The ADA composition is also different than budgeted. Budgeted TK ADA was 43.20 vs
  Forecasted TK ADA at 34.40. Gr1-3 ADA was budgeted at 208.80 vs forecasted ADA of
  217.84. Gr4-6 ADA was budgeted at 90 and is currently forecasted as 101.41. Since the
  higher grades have higher ADA rates, this contributes to the increase in LCFF.
- Forecast includes restricted one-time funds. An additional amount remains available to
  spend through FY27/28. That amount includes monies from the Educator Effectiveness funds and Learning Recovery Block Grant funds
- The revenue variance from the prior month is mostly related to a decrease in forecasted nutrition revenue.

C. Second Interim Report

Actuals to date is the actual net income through January.

Addison noted revenue is out of sync with how expenses are incurred so it is not uncommon to see a large negative net income and then see the revenue be reflected in the following months.
V. Reynolds made a motion to approve 2nd Interim Financials.
K. Armstrong seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Academic Committee

A. Updates

STAR Highlights

- 42.4% (59 of 139) students scored at or above the minimum district benchmark proficiency level
- 29.5% (41 of 139) students estimated to score at or above the proficiency benchmark on the Reading state test
- 66.9% (91 of 136) students scored at or above typical growth (35th current SGP) from Fall to the given test period.

MAP Comparison

- 3rd grade cohort had higher achievement on MAP.
- 4th Grade cohort is demonstrating achievement on both assessments.
- 5th Grade Cohort is demonstrating high achievement on MAP assessment vs STAR.

Key Findings:

- Gaps in instructional quality are closing.
    - The data suggests that curriculum implementation is supporting the quality of instruction across grade levels.
        - MAP reading proficiency scores are calibrating among grades.
        - Growth needed by the end of year less than a year for majority of the part.
        - Teachers that been in the classroom 3+ years are showing 50% additional growth.
- For students near proficiency:
    - High growth and low achievement in math
    - High growth for ELA focus students and supporting being on track with ELA Spring SBAC goals.
    - 53% of all scholars are on track to meet their end of year goal on i-Ready.

VII. 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 5:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Noel