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Soleil Academy

Minutes

Soleil Academy Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday October 28, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Location
3900 Agnes Ave. Lynwood, CA 90262

OR

Join Zoom Meeting

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN *that a Board Meeting will be held at 3900 Agnes 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
B. Weinstein-Sanders, E. Funes, K. Armstrong, V. Reynolds

Directors Absent
S. Johnson

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
E. Funes

Ex Officio Members Present
B. Gutierrez

Guests Present
M. Serrano, R. Avilez, mari

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Armstrong called a meeting of the board of directors of Soleil Academy to order on Wednesday Oct 28, 2026 at 5:07 PM.

B. Record Attendance

II. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes from 8//26 Soleil Academy Board Meeting

B. Weinstein-Sanders made a motion to approve the minutes from 8/26/26 Soleil Academy Board Meeting Soleil Academy Board Meeting on 08-26-26.
V. Reynolds seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
E. Funes arrived at 5:13 PM.

III. Finance Committee

A. Updates

B. Review of Financials

The Finance Committee reported that September financials showed enrollment at 369 students with 96.3% attendance, exceeding budgeted projections. Soleil also reported stronger-than-budgeted financial performance and a projected year-end cash balance above budget.

C. Change in Banking Institution

Ramon presented a proposal to change the banking institution from California Credit Union to U.S. Bank After evaluating proposals from two banks, U.S. Bank was selected due to its stronger overall proposal and more stable terms, despite City National's higher interest rate.
V. Reynolds made a motion to Approve change in banking instution.
B. Weinstein-Sanders seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Review of 2025–26 Principal and Executive Director Performance Bonuses

B. Gutierrez led discussion about the 25-26 performance metrics for the executive director and principal, explaining that this would be the final bonus payout under the current structure. The board reviewed Ms. Serrano's academic performance metrics, which showed significant improvements in both ELA and math achievement.

She also highlighted ED achievements- successful partnerships, strategic planning updates, and a successful renewal advocacy campaign that mobilized over 40 families. The principal's bonus structure included developing three active partnerships, completing phase one of the master strategic plan, and running the renewal advocacy campaign,

IV. Management Update

A. Soleil Management Updates

B. Gutierrez reminded the board that updates are outlined in the board memo.

B. LACOE EOY Reports

B. Gutierrez presented management updates and LACOE end-of-year reports, highlighting significant improvements in math and ELA scores, though English learner progress declined. The governance report praised strong board oversight and fiscal

stewardship while suggesting improvements in family engagement and posting board materials online.

V. Academic Committee

A. Updates

B. Beginning of Year Data

Principal Serrano presented Soleil Academy's California dashboard results, highlighting achievements including a blue performance level in suspension rates and green performance in science, with notable improvements in ELA (12.2 points growth) and math (9.7 points growth) compared to the previous year but there was a decline in English learner progress, The discussion included analysis of proficiency calculations and testing requirements, with plans to bring specific data points about grade levels and ELPAC domains to the academic committee for further discussion.

VI. Governance

A. Updates

The resignation of Board Chair, S. Johnson was announced.

B. Approval of new board member, A. Shams

B. Weinstein-Sanders made a motion to approve new board member, A. Shams.
E. Funes seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approval of new board member, S. Goodman

B. Weinstein-Sanders made a motion to approve new board member, S. Goodman.
E. Funes seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approval of new board member, M. Sato

V. Reynolds made a motion to approve new board member, M. Sato.
B. Weinstein-Sanders seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Board Goals

Board goals are nearly complete and will be codified in the next meeting, with strategic planning vendor selection planned for the November board meeting.

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 6:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Armstrong