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# El Camino Real Charter High School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday March 15, 2017 at 5:00 PM

#### Location

El Camino Real Charter High School, Library, 5440 Valley Circle Boulevard, Woodland Hills, CA 91367

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#### BOARD MEETING

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Consent Agenda: All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The Executive Director recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

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#### **Directors Present**

Beatriz Chen, Darin Ryburn, Diane Wynne, Jonathan Wasser, Julie Kornack, Scott Silverstein, Steve Cohen, Steven Kofahl

#### **Directors Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

Daniel Chang, David Hussey, Tiffany Tran

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Jonathan Wasser called a meeting of the board of directors of El Camino Real Charter High School to order on Wednesday Mar 15, 2017 at 5:06 PM.

**C. MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of Robert Weinberg.

**D. Pledge of Allegiance**

**E. Public Comments**

Heather Knight (Social Studies Teacher & Department Chair) spoke on Executive Director evaluation and accountability.

Beth Corbett (English teacher and chair advisor, 15 years as a teacher here) spoke on Executive Director evaluation and school climate.

Carlos Monroy (teacher) spoke on Executive Director evaluation and change.

NAEROK also spoke. There was nothing unusual or alarming found during initial demolition. There is a meeting tomorrow with the planning committee, which will be the final meeting with ECRCHS before they finalize their designs and take it to the City, which they hope to do by Wednesday or Thursday of next week. Once they get to plan check, they will be able to present the next step to the Board.

One final public comment - questioned whether LAUSD should be required to pay to bring us ADA compliant, since we took over LAUSD's property.

**F. Executive Director Update**

Road to Your Future program started again, where professionals from the community are invited to talk to the students, to help them get ready for careers even before college.

Mr. Hussey went to the Woodland Hills Homeowners Organizations, and also to the Wings Over Wendy's, and met some World War II veterans there. They offered to come speak at the school. Mr. Hussey emailed the teachers to see who was interested in having some of them come to their classes. Many teachers responded favorably.

New tardy system implemented. There are hundreds of students who are late for first period, and if a student gets 5 tardies they get detention.

There was an expression of interest in forming a Charter Advisory Committee, with teachers, an administrator, and possibly a student on the Committee as well. The Committee will report to the Executive Director in an advisory nature and will monitor the Board's compliance with the Charter. That Committee will be formed in the near future.

**G. UTLA Update**

The school and UTLA are going to the bargaining table on March 27, 2017, the areas to discuss are the grievance article, hours worked article, and compensation and benefits.

Contract language brought to the Board will have been after both sides agree and the teachers have voted and agreed. The bargaining team for UTLA will be 5 representatives and someone from the UTLA chapter. UTLA Chapter chair elections coming up at the end of the month. If Mr. Kinsella is not re-elected, the new chair will start July 1st.

## H. PRESENTATION BY THE VILLAGE NATION

Dr. Watts gave a PowerPoint presentation showing Student Outcomes, and Student Reflections. Lorenzo Ross is a senior, read a prepared statement. Chris Frias also read her prepared statement. Fluke Fluker spoke and read the written statement of a former student who is currently a law student at Pepperdine University. Village Nation is now in its 3rd year here.

## I. Committee Updates

Audit and Finance Committee - nothing done yet from a concrete position as everyone felt that a CBO was needed to work with the Committee. It will issue a Request for Proposal, and a Special Meeting will be required to vote on the audit company recommended.

## II. Consent

### A. Review and Vote on February 15, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Darin Ryburn made a motion to approve minutes Board Meeting on 02-15-17. Julie Kornack seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

Scott Silverstein	Aye
Julie Kornack	Aye
Jonathan Wasser	Aye
Steve Cohen	Aye
Steven Kofahl	Aye
Darin Ryburn	Abstain
Diane Wynne	Aye
Beatriz Chen	Aye

### B. Review and Vote on February 27, 2017 Special Board Meeting Minutes

Darin Ryburn made a motion to approve minutes SPECIAL BOARD MEETING on 02-27-17. Diane Wynne seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

Steven Kofahl	Abstain
Darin Ryburn	Aye
Diane Wynne	Aye
Steve Cohen	Aye
Beatriz Chen	Aye
Jonathan Wasser	Aye
Julie Kornack	Aye

**Roll Call**

Scott Silverstein Aye

**III. Governance**

**A. APPROVE CCO JOB DESCRIPTION TO SUBMIT AS REVISION TO CHARTER**

Diane Wynne made a motion to approve the CCO job description to submit to LAUSD.

Beatriz Chen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Diane Wynne Aye

Steven Kofahl Aye

Steve Cohen Aye

Beatriz Chen Aye

Darin Ryburn Aye

Scott Silverstein Aye

Julie Kornack Aye

Jonathan Wasser Aye

**B. Committee Report on Executive Director Evaluation and Recommendation**

Mr. Wasser moved to table this to next meeting, as there were a variety of factors creating confusion for various stakeholders and that waiting to the next meeting would still allow enough time, but would provide transparency through education, review and discussion of issues. Ms. Kornack expressed that she does not understand why it would be tabled, particularly given the time constraints that we have, and also stated her belief that the Committee had discussed the matter and was ready to make the recommendation. Mr. Ryburn expressed concern as well about the importance of moving the matter along in a timely manner.

Mr. Silverstein noted that the Ad Hoc Committee was making the (non-unanimous) recommendation to approve Mr. Hussey as Executive Director.

**C. VOTE ON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVALUATION**

Steven Kofahl made a motion to table this item to next Board meeting in April.

Darin Ryburn seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.

Diane Wynne made a motion to accept the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation and offer current Executive Director David Hussey a new contract.

Scott Silverstein seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Beatriz Chen Aye

Diane Wynne Aye

**Roll Call**

Julie Kornack No  
Darin Ryburn No  
Jonathan Wasser Aye  
Steven Kofahl Aye  
Steve Cohen Aye  
Scott Silverstein Aye

**D. REVIEW AND VOTE ON LAUSD CHARTER TRANSPARENCY RESOLUTION**

Steve Cohen made a motion to adopt the LAUSD's Charter Transparency Resolution.

Steven Kofahl seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Diane Wynne Aye  
Darin Ryburn Aye  
Beatriz Chen Aye  
Julie Kornack Aye  
Steven Kofahl Aye  
Jonathan Wasser Aye  
Scott Silverstein Aye  
Steve Cohen Aye

**E. Review and approve Certification of Board Compliance Review**

Diane Wynne made a motion to approve Certification of Board Compliance Review.

Steve Cohen seconded the motion.

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

**IV. School Business**

**A. Board Election Update**

The Board vacancies were posted on the school's website, and will stay open until March 31st. Mailers will be sent to parents of alumni, and the vacancies will also be advertised on Facebook and Daily News. The schedule was agreed to at the prior Board meeting.

**B. Update on Technology**

1. Aging computers - there are about 84 laptop that are more than 4 years old, and about 230 desktops that are 5 years old. Best way to refresh may be to start with laptops since there are less of them. New laptops will be about \$85K. A desktop refresh can be by buildings (A, B, C, etc.). Because the computer lab is in A building, A building alone would be about 140 desktops.

2. ETA on the new equipment purchased is about 3 weeks, which would bring them in right before Spring Break. Have to prepare contingency if LAUSD decides to pull their wiring before the testing.

**C. SET UP SCOPE OF WORK FOR A TRAFFIC STUDY**

Worked with a traffic mitigation company (Iteris) to conduct a traffic study, but need to come up with language for RFP. Items:

1. Existing conditions assessment;
2. Two field visits, morning and afternoon;
3. New mid-block crossings;

The total cost will be \$17K - \$24K from Iteris, but wants to send an RFP to see if there is a lower bid.

**D. DISCUSS ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO REACH OUT TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE VARIOUS STAKEHOLDER GROUP**

Tabled for discussion at next meeting.

**E. DISCUSS ADVANCING TECHNOLOGY**

Tabled for discussion at next meeting.

**V. Financial**

**A. Discuss Allocation of Resources and Strategies to Enhance Communication of Available Resources**

Item is removed.

**B. Review and Vote on January Check Registers**

Julie Kornack made a motion to table review of the check register.

Darin Ryburn seconded the motion.

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

**C. JANUARY 2017 FINANCIAL UPDATE**

Chang Patel of EdTec went over the January 2017 financials. Note the technology update is not in the financials as it is a new, non-budgeted item. Projected revenue for the Shoup property are not included, but expenses are included in the financials. There is a potential budgeted shortfall if the material revision is not approved and the school is still capped at 3,600.

Ms. Patel also presented the 2nd Interim Financials for review and discussion.

**D. Discuss Stipend for Human Resource Certifications**

Tabled for discussion on next regular meeting.

**E. Discuss and vote on renewal of \$5 million Line of Credit with Hanmi Bank**

Darin Ryburn made a motion to approve renewal of line of credit with Hanmi Bank, with two signatories on all documents, Executive Director David Hussey and Chief Compliance Officer Daniel Chang.

Steven Kofahl seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Steve Cohen Aye  
Jonathan Wasser Aye  
Scott Silverstein Aye  
Darin Ryburn Aye  
Diane Wynne Aye  
Steven Kofahl Aye  
Julie Kornack Aye  
Beatriz Chen Aye

**F. Discuss and vote on modification to College Readiness Block Grant Budget**

Darin Ryburn made a motion to modify the College Readiness Block Grant Budget.

Steve Cohen seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Scott Silverstein Aye  
Beatriz Chen Aye  
Jonathan Wasser Aye  
Steve Cohen Aye  
Diane Wynne Aye  
Julie Kornack Aye  
Darin Ryburn Aye  
Steven Kofahl Aye

**G. Discuss and Vote on OpTerra's Proposals for Use of Prop 39 Funds**

Tony Lumino of OpTerra presented the new recommended projects. Solar was removed for now. Transformers were also removed to comply with LAUSD policies, and because changing them in compliance with LAUSD's new policies would require oversight by the Division of State Architects, which would cause substantial delays and increase costs. The new proposal, absent these items removed, has the same prices except for the Lighting - Interior Fixture Retrofit, because of the need to be ADA compliant, the price has increased by about \$157K.

Darin Ryburn made a motion to table the vote until we comply with the procurement process, including posting of public notice.

Diane Wynne seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Steve Cohen Aye

**Roll Call**

Scott Silverstein Aye  
Steven Kofahl Aye  
Beatriz Chen Aye  
Julie Kornack Aye  
Darin Ryburn Aye  
Diane Wynne Aye  
Jonathan Wasser Aye

**H. DISCUSS AND VOTE ON AUDITOR**

Motion is withdrawn.

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

Steven Kofahl made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Beatriz Chen seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Daniel Chang