APPROVED

El Camino Real Charter High School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday December 9, 2015 at 5:00 PM

Location
El Camino Real CHS, Library, 5440 Valley Circle Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA 91367

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

Directors Present
Dennis Thompson, Jackie Keene, Jonathan Wasser, Larry Rubin, Obie Slamon, Odus Caldwell, Peter Vastenhold

Directors Absent
None

Guests Present
Alison Galliher, Amy Carter, Barbara Stanoff, Carlos Monroy, Chang Patel, Chang Patel, Curt Feddersen, David Valenzuela, Frank Wymond, Gary Asarch, Janelle Raney, Jeremiah Wai, Kathy Her, Kyna Collins, Lisa DeRubertis, Lisa Ring, Marlene Widawer, Melissa Charters, Mike Reicher, Richard Scheinberg, Sharon Lenderman, Shelley Mark, Shelly Marshall, Stacey Meltzer, Steve Burstein, Susan Niven

I. Opening Items

A. 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 Dec 9, 2015 at 5:02 PM.

Executive Director Dave Fehte announced that ECRA and UTLA came to a tentative agreement at the bargaining table and thanked Jason Kinsella, Carlos Monroy, David Valenzuela and all the members of the bargaining committee. Details will be sent out to the teachers and the teachers will vote tomorrow and Friday.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Teacher/Student Presentation

D. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items and Agenda Items

E. Committee and Board Updates

Board Chair Jon Wasser introduced Board member Dennis Thompson, retired after 38 years as an educator, UTLA Chapter Chair and Principal of Canoga Park High School. He now works part time with CalSTRS. He explained that he has missed Board meetings due to personal health issues and family concerns that required him to be out of state. He cleared up misconceptions and mis-statements made at the last board meeting regarding his part time work with CalSTRS and explained that he attended a recent ECRCHS PD Day meeting to briefly explain, especially to the new teachers, how the CalSTRS pension system works the same for charter schools as LAUSD and he had volunteered to hold free workshops for ECRCHS teachers who want more information on CalSTRS and/or assistance for those who are retiring. He clarified that he does not handle or offer any financial planning, tax shelters or annuities.

F. Discuss and Approve Committee Election Procedures for the Charter Advisory Committee

Obie Slamon made a motion to discuss and approve Committee Election Procedures for the Charter Oversight Committee and review Board Policy on the creation of committees (Agenda Items I.G and III.D. grouped.).
Odus Caldwell seconded the motion.
The motion did not carry.

Roll Call

Obie Slamon	No
Jonathan Wasser	No
Odus Caldwell	No
Larry Rubin	Abstain
Peter Vastenhold	No
Dennis Thompson	No
Jackie Keene	No

The current Charter Oversight committee is a recognized committee by the Board for the remaining term of the current Charter and Committee Election Procedures will be further discussed, reviewed and approved at a future meeting.

II. Consent

A. Review and Approve November's Regular Board Meeting

Peter Vastenhold made a motion to approve the Minutes from the Nov. 18, 2015 Board Meeting and approve the October 2015 check register. Board Meeting on 11-18-15.
Dennis Thompson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Review and Approve the October Check Register

The approval of the October check register was included in the previous Motion.

III. Governance

A. Discuss and Vote for Agenda Items Speakers

Obie Slamon made a motion to approve that public speakers at Board Meetings be given the choice to speak at the beginning of the meetings during Public Comments or to speak at the beginning of applicable individual Agenda items, with the current 3 minute time limit.
Peter Vastenhold seconded the motion.
The motion did not carry.

Roll Call	
Jackie Keene	No
Peter Vastenhold	Aye
Odus Caldwell	No
Dennis Thompson	Aye
Obie Slamon	No
Jonathan Wasser	Aye

B. Discuss and Approve Larry Rubin as a Board Member Representing the Community

Peter Vastenhold made a motion to accept the committee's recommendation and approve Larry Rubin to fill the Board vacancy left by Jeff Falgien, through June 2017.
Jackie Keene seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Review and Approve the Charter Expulsion Procedures and Timeline

Obie Slamon made a motion to review and approve the Charter Expulsion Procedures and timeline.
Odus Caldwell seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Dennis Thompson	Aye
Obie Slamon	Aye
Jackie Keene	Aye
Odus Caldwell	Aye
Larry Rubin	Abstain
Peter Vastenhold	Aye
Jonathan Wasser	Aye

D. Review and Approve the Board Policy on the Creation of Committees

This Item was included with Agenda Item F.

IV. Policies

A. Review and Approve the Updated Fiscal Policies

Peter Vastenhold made a motion to review and approve the updated fiscal policies required by LAUSD.
Odus Caldwell seconded the motion.
The motion did not carry.

Roll Call	
Peter Vastenhold	No
Jonathan Wasser	No
Dennis Thompson	No
Odus Caldwell	No
Jackie Keene	No
Obie Slamon	No
Larry Rubin	Abstain

Obie Slamon made a motion to review and approve the updated fiscal policies required by LAUSD with direction to staff to meet with and inquire of other conversion charter schools if they are experiencing the same increased oversight by LAUSD as ECRCHS.
Dennis Thompson seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Jackie Keene	Abstain
Odus Caldwell	Aye
Peter Vastenhold	Aye
Dennis Thompson	Aye
Obie Slamon	Aye
Jonathan Wasser	Aye
Larry Rubin	Abstain

V. Financial

A.

2014/15 Audited Financial Statement Presentation from Independent Auditor

CPA Curt Feddersen, from Feddersen & Company, LLC, presented the independent audit of ECRCHS to the Board. ECRCHS received a clean opinion and there were no discoveries or alarms. ECRCHS was found to be in compliance with State and Federal regulations. No unauthorized or inappropriate expenses were found, but it was recommended that ECRCHS create a more detailed purchasing procedure.

B. Review and Approval of the First Interim Financials

Peter Vastenhold made a motion to review and approve the First Interim Financials prepared by EdTec.
Jackie Keene seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
Peter Vastenhold	Aye
Jonathan Wasser	Aye
Obie Slamon	Aye
Jackie Keene	Aye
Odus Caldwell	Aye
Larry Rubin	Abstain
Dennis Thompson	Aye

C. Update on ECR's Highlander K-8 STEM School

Melanie Horton, Director of Marketing, informed the Board that the LAUSD Charter Division requested that ECRCHS accept a delay on them voting on the Highlander site until the January LAUSD Board meeting.

D. Financial Update Based on EdTec's Financials of ECRCHS

CBO Marshall Mayotte presented a financial update based on EdTec's Financials on ECRCHS.

VI. Administrators

A. Update from Facilities

Eric Wilson, Director of STEAM, presented an update on the campus master plan and strategic plan going forward.

B. Update from Academic Administrators

No current update from the Academic Administrators.

C. Update from Executive Director

Mr Fehte mentioned that he forgot to also thank teacher Frank Wymond for his work on the Collective Bargaining Committee.

D. Update from the Charter Oversight Visit

There was no update from the Charter Oversight visit.

VII. Other Business

A. Future Agenda Items

B. Closed session - Conference with Labor Negotiators

The Board adjourned into Closed Session to discuss the Bargaining Agreement between ECRA and UTLA.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Jackie Keene made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Obie Slamon 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 7:17 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terri Keas