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## MY Academy

### Minutes

#### Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

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**Date and Time**

Thursday October 12, 2023 at 9:00 AM

**Location**

Regus - Gateway Chula Vista  
333 H Street, Suite 5000  
Chula Vista, CA 91910

**Join by telephone or via Zoom conferencing link below:**

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Meeting ID: 816 128 9676

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**MISSION STATEMENT**

MY Academy believes in diversity, inclusivity, academic excellence, hope, service, feedback, and gratitude. Our mission is to create a diverse and individualized learning environment that supports every student and strengthens relationships between families, programs, authorizers, and the community.

**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**

Larry Alvarado, Michael Humphrey, Peter Matz, Steve Fraire, William Hall

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

Bill Dobson, Diane Georgeson, Lori Hath (remote), Melissa Blitzstein (remote), Roger Castillo (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

William Hall called a meeting of the board of directors of MY Academy to order on Thursday Oct 12, 2023 at 9:01 AM.

**B. Record Attendance**

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

**A. Led by Board President or designee.**

W. Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Land Acknowledgement**

B. Dobson presented the Land Acknowledgement.

**III. Approve/Adopt Agenda**

**A. Approve Agenda**

Michael Humphrey made a motion to approve the amended agenda and remove Closed Session.

Larry Alvarado seconded the motion.

W. Hall, President requested to amend agenda and remove Closed Session.

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

#### **IV. Approve Minutes**

##### **A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors that was held on September 14, 2023**

Steve Fraire made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors on 09-14-23.

Michael Humphrey seconded the motion.

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

#### **V. Adjourn to Closed Session**

##### **A. Closed Session**

Agenda was amended to remove closed session.

#### **VI. Reconvene Regular Meeting**

##### **A. Report out any action taken in closed session.**

Agenda was amended to remove Closed Session.

#### **VII. Correspondence/Proposals/Reports**

##### **A. School Highlights, Presented by Melissa Blitzstein, Interim Assistant Director**

M. Blitzstein, presented the School Highlights.

##### **B. Financial Update July-August, Presented by Roger Castillo, Director of Client Finance, Charter Impact**

R. Castillo presented the Financial Update July-August.

#### **VIII. Consent**

##### **A. Consent - Business/Financial Services**

1. Check Register - September 2023

##### **B. Consent - Education/Student Services**

1. Approval of Endorsement of Indigenous People's Day
2. Approval of Endorsement of Runaway and Homeless Youth Month
3. Approval of Endorsement of Mental Illness week
4. Approval of Endorsement of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

**C. Consent - Personnel Services**

1. Approval of Certificated Personnel Report
2. Approval of Classified Personnel Report
3. Approval of Job Descriptions (Revised)

**D. Consent - Policy Development**

Approval of existing board policies revised, reviewed, and eliminated by staff for the 2023-2024 school year.

Board Policies Revised:

The following are current policies that have been revised to provide clarity or alignment with changes in law or procedures.

1000 Series - Community Relations

1025-MYA Uniform Complaint Policy

Michael Humphrey made a motion to approve the consent items A through D.

Steve Fraire seconded the motion.

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

**IX. Business/Financial Services**

**A. Approval of Agreement between Cook Center for Human Connection and Motivated Youth Academy**

Steve Fraire made a motion to approve the agreement between Cook Center for Human Connection and Motivated Youth Academy.

Peter Matz seconded the motion.

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

**X. Personnel Services**

**A. Approval of Services Agreement between Excel Academy Charter Schools (EACS) and Motivated Youth Academy (#1628)**

Peter Matz made a motion to approve the Services Agreement between Excel Academy Schools and Motivated Youth Academy.

Steve Fraire seconded the motion.

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

**XI. Calendar**

#### **A. The next scheduled meetings.**

1. Board of Directors Study Session will be held on November 9, 2023.
2. Regular Board of Directors Meeting will be held on December 14, 2023.

There was discussion regarding fluctuating the meetings between Excel Academy and Sage Oak Charter Schools. Member Larry Alvarado said there is always one odd man out, who has to sit and wait through the next meeting before their next meeting begins since all the members are not on the same Boards. He suggested rotating Steve, Susan, and Larry to be fair and equitable to all the schools. Larry would like to propose he will commit to this year and sit out between meeting times, then Susan can commit to the next year, and the following year Steve can commit. This needs to be discussed with the other Charter School Superintendents for approval.

Bill Dobson said he will make note of this during the next Board Calendar Preparation meetings with the other schools per the request of the Board of Directors.

### **XII. Comments**

#### **A. Board Comments**

The Board said they appreciate Bill Dobson's leadership style. They are anticipating student growth at MYA, and said with growth comes higher revenue. However, with the increasing enrollment, there is a concern that too many students will get enrolled, and the Board worries that MYA will be spread too thin and the students won't be served, so "lets be mindful of this." Thank you.

#### **B. Interim Director and CEO Comments**

Bill Dobson, Interim Director said he appreciates all the Board comments. The work MYA does is because of the staff and their commitment. MYA views themselves as disrupters, they don't do it the same way as everyone else. They disrupt the traditional model by not treating all students as having one brain. They look at each student separately, and realize that everyone is different and unique. This helps MYA staff to then figure out what the student needs. Thank you.

### **XIII. Closing Items**

#### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

Steve Fraire made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Peter Matz seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** 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 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
William Hall

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### **Documents used during the meeting**

- Land Acknowledgement v2.pdf
- School Highlights - 2023.10.12.pdf
- MYA Financial Presentation for July - Aug 2023.10.12.pdf
- MYA Check Register 2023.10.12.pdf
- Indigenous People's Day Acknowledgement.pdf
- Runaway and Homeless Youth Month Acknowledgement.pdf
- Mental Illness Awareness Week.pdf
- National Domestic Violence Awareness Month Acknowledgement.pdf
- Operations and Program Manager.pdf
- Student and Administrative Services Technician.pdf
- English Language (EL )Testing Assistant.pdf
- Office Assistant - Marketing .pdf
- Office Assistant.pdf
- Community Engagement Liaison.pdf
- Registrar.pdf
- Student Success Coordinator .pdf
- Instructional Assistant.pdf
- MYA 1025 UCP Policy and Complaint Form.pdf
- MYA 1025 - UCP Policy and Complaint Form - Redlined.pdf
- Agreement between CCHC and MYA - Parent Coaching.pdf
- BUS Business Financial Services CCHC MYA\_10.12.23 .pdf
- MYA - EACS Contract Agreement 2023.10.12.pdf
- BUS Consent MYA\_Excel Services Agreement 10.12.23 .pdf

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