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# Élan Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### April Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday April 24, 2024 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

Elan Academy  
6501 Berkley Dr.  
New Orleans, LA 70131

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The matters listed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair to be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may, in fact, be discussed. Other items not listed may be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. **All agenda items are informational unless otherwise denoted, though all committee reports require a vote for acceptance.** The meeting will be held on the campus of the school.

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#### Directors Present

D. Barnes, D. Patin, G. Briggs, S. Rademaker

#### Directors Absent

J. Thibodeaux, R. Green

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## Guests Present

M. Clark

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Patin called a meeting of the board of directors of Élan Academy Charter School to order on Wednesday Apr 24, 2024 at 6:13 PM.

### C. Approval of Today's Meeting Agenda

S. Rademaker made a motion to approve the minutes from March Meeting March Board Meeting on 03-20-24.

G. Briggs seconded the motion.

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

### D. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

G. Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes from March Head of School Report.

D. Barnes seconded the motion.

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

## II. Head of School Report

### A. Head of School Report

G. Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes from March School Report.

D. Barnes seconded the motion.

- Discussed Operations- reviewed projects
- Hiring Updates
  - Discussed vacancies, terminations and resignations,
- Compliance
  - Nutrition audit
  - Annual Site Visit audit
  - State IDEA audit
- Enrollment
  - Current 417
  - Future enrollment (applying out)
  - Number of applicants for 2024-25
- Suspension rates
- MAP LEAP Projections

- SPS Calculator
- Accountability Scale
  - up for renewal next school year
- Charter Renewal Projection
- Insight survey and results
- Upcoming events
- Trimester Priorities (Dr. Clark)

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

### III. Governance Committee Report

#### A. Governance Committee Report

S. Rademaker made a motion to approve the minutes from March Governance Report.

G. Briggs seconded the motion.

Discussed March Governance report

- Board Recruitment
- Vote - May meeting

Discussed requirements around budget

Discussed Board member contribution status

- Give NOLA Day- May 7, 2024

Discussed vendors: transportation, auditing, landscape/grounds maintenance

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

### IV. Academic

#### A. Academic Committee Report

S. Rademaker made a motion to approve the minutes from March Academic Report.

D. Barnes seconded the motion.

Discussed Academic Dashboard

- Teacher reaction to academic gaps
- Instructional Coach support and accountability
- Fidelity in implementation
- Clear action plans

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

### V. Finance

#### A.

### **Finance Committee Report –**

D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from March Finance Committee Report March Finance Committee Meeting on 03-20-24.

G. Briggs seconded the motion.

Received March 2024 Finance Report

- Presented by 4th Sector

Preliminary discussion on 2024-25 budget

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

## **VI. Development**

### **A. Development Committee Report –**

G. Briggs made a motion to approve the minutes from March Development Committee Report.

D. Barnes seconded the motion.

Discussed upcoming events

- Future event planning
- Give NOLA Day- May 7, 2024

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

## **VII. Additional Business**

### **A. Old Business**

### **B. New Business**

D. Patin made a motion to Approve the proposed amendments to current Attendance Policy as proposed by the Head of School.

Discussion and vote of proposed amendments to current Attendance Policy

Discussed how this will be communicated to parents

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

D. Barnes made a motion to Vote on a resolution to update the banking account signatories.

S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

Update signatories to remove Dan Willeman and Roger Watkins and update with the Head of School, Dr. Clark, and current Treasurer and Finance Committee Jeremy Thibodaux.

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

## **VIII. 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 7:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
D. Patin

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**Guests are welcome to speak during each agenda item with recognition from the presiding officer. In the event to comments or debate may appear to be lengthy, the presiding officer will set a time limit the open comment period; will define the time length each person is afforded to speak; will recognize the order of the respondents, and each person will be asked to state their name, city, parish, and affiliation with the school (examples: employee, administration, parent, community guest, school board representative). This policy subject to change, as necessary.**