



# Élan Academy Charter School

# **Minutes**

# **Board Meeting**

## **Date and Time**

Wednesday October 30, 2024 at 5:30 PM

# **Elan Academy**

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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, J. Thibodeaux, L. Knight, S. Rademaker

#### **Directors Absent**

G. Briggs, R. Green

#### **Guests Present**

## Dr. Gail Thomas Batiste, M. Clark

# 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 Oct 30, 2024 at 5:37 PM.

# C. Approval of Today's Meeting Agenda

- J. Thibodeaux made a motion to Approve today's meeting agenda.
- L. Knight seconded the motion.

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

# D. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

- L. Knight made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-28-24.
- S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

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

# II. Head of School Report

# A. Head of School Report

- L. Knight made a motion to approve the minutes from September Headof School Report.
- D. Barnes seconded the motion.
- Dr. Clark presented the September HoS report to the Board
  - Discussed 2024-25 Yearly Priorities
  - Hiring Updates
  - Operations Updates
  - Compliance
  - Enrollment
  - Academic Updates
    - BOY Diagnostic Testing Data Overview
    - · Academic Updates- DIBELS
    - · RTI
  - Action Planning
  - 8th Grade Trip
  - Upcoming Events

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

#### **III. Governance Committee Report**

## A. Governance Committee Report

- J. Thibodeaux made a motion to approve the minutes from September Governance Committee Report.
- S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

Darren Patin presented September Governance Committee report

- Elan Policies
- Charter Renewal Status
- Vendor Status
  - Transportation
  - Food Services
  - Janitorial
  - Landscaping

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

## IV. Finance

# A. Finance Committee Report -

- D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from September Finance Committee Report.
- S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

Jeremy Thibodeaux presented the Finance Committee Report

- Reviewed September Financial Dashboard
- Reviewed Forecasted vs Actual Budget
- Audit is underway
- Review LA Compliance Questionnaire

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

# V. Development

## A. Development Committee Report -

Scot and Lori will begin meeting to begin planning for the Development Committee.

#### VI. Additional Business

#### A. Old Business

#### **B.** New Business

- Dr. Gail Batiste introduced herself, her skills and experiences and interest in board membership with Elan Academy.
- D. Barnes made a motion to The motion to approve one time, non-recurring payment to staff stipends in accordance with the October 30, 2024 Head of School memo. Payment to be made prior to December 15, 2024.
- S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

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

- J. Thibodeaux made a motion to Approve submission of Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.
- L. Knight seconded the motion.

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

- L. Knight made a motion to Approve a motion to accept Dr. Batiste as an Elan Academy Board member.
- S. Rademaker seconded the motion.

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

# 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 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Barnes

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.