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Élan Academy Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday March 12, 2025 at 5:30 PM

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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. Thomas-Batiste, J. Thibodeaux, L. Knight

Directors Absent
G. Briggs, R. Green, S. Rademaker

Guests Present

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 Mar 12, 2025 at 5:43 PM.

C. Approval of Today's Meeting Agenda

J. Thibodeaux made a motion to approve the March 2025 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 January 28, 2025 Meeting Board Meeting on 01-28-25.
D. Barnes seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Head of School Report

A. Head of School Report

D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from Head of School Report- January/February 2025.
G. Thomas-Batiste seconded the motion.
January/February Head of School Report presented by Dr. Askew to the Board.

- Discussed teacher retention
- Discussed Parent Surveys

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

III. Governance Committee Report

A. Governance Committee Report

D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from March 12, 2025 Meeting.
L. Knight seconded the motion.
March 12, 2025 Governance meeting discussion led by Darren Patin

- Potential new Board member

- Vendor discussion
- Discussed Board Retreat proposal

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

IV. Academic

A. Academic Committee Report

Did not meet this week. No report.

V. Finance

A. Finance Committee Report –

D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from March 12, 2025 meeting March 2024 Finance Committee Meeting on 03-12-25.
L. Knight seconded the motion.
Jeremy Thibodeaux presented Finance Committee report from March 12, 2025

- MIP, ESSR, Title I funding
- Discussed current budget and YTD finances
- Discussed tax return/990

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

VI. Development

A. Development Committee Report –

D. Barnes made a motion to approve the minutes from January/February 2025 Meeting.
G. Thomas-Batiste seconded the motion.
Discussed Jan/Feb Development Committee report

- Discussed various fundraising ideas

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

VII. Additional Business

A. Old Business

No old business.

B. NEW BUSINESS

C. Consideration and vote regarding Perry Davis interest in board membership

Deferred until April 2025

D. Consideration and vote regarding Cardell Silas' interest in Board membership as Parent Representative

L. Knight made a motion to Motion to approve Cardell Silas as Parent Representative for the Board.
G. Thomas-Batiste seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Consideration and vote on resolution regarding FYE 2024 form 990 approval

D. Barnes made a motion to Resolve to approve the submission of FY 2024 form 990.
L. Knight seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 6:38 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.