



Da Vinci Schools

Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board Meeting (RISE High)

Date and Time

Wednesday August 13, 2025 at 6:00 PM PDT

Location

Mona Lisa, 201 N Douglas St, El Segundo, CA 90245

Da Vinci Schools ("DV") welcomes your participation at its Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Trustees ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of DV in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our schools. To assist you in speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. The meeting is accessible online at <https://davincischools-org.zoom.us/j/98035787266> or dial (669) 444-9171 and use Meeting ID: 980 3578 7266.
 2. Agendas are available to all audience members on the Da Vinci Schools website www.davincischools.org.
 3. Audience members who wish may speak on any agenda items or under the general category of "Public Comments," which is time set aside for members of the audience to raise issues not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes each and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed twenty (20) minutes. Non-English speakers who use a translator shall have six (6) minutes in which to address the Board.
 4. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
 5. The chair will recognize such individuals who wish to speak on a specific agenda item at the appropriate time. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to adhere to the time limits set forth, and to not repeat remarks made by those who preceded them.
 6. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at 201 N. Douglas Street,
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El Segundo, CA 90245, during Business Office operating hours. Please contact the CEO's office at 310-725-5800.

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Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
A. Call the Meeting to Order		Lida Jennings	1 m
B. Record Attendance		Sebastian Ehuan-Avila	1 m
C. Approve the Agenda	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
Call for any changes to the agenda before a motion to approve the agenda is made and seconded.			
D. Public Comments		Lida Jennings	5 m
Please see Notice above. The duration of individual comments and the total comment time may be adjusted at the discretion of the board chairperson. Comments will be given on a first-come, first-served basis; however, the board chairperson may direct staff to create an orderly process in the event a large number of audience members wish to speak.			
II. Special Board Action			6:08 PM
A. Accept Resignation of Board Member	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
Board votes to accept resignation of Mr. Chris Taylor from the Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board of Directors.			
B. Election of Dr. Stephen Nellman to Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board of Directors (Term Until 8/13/28)	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m

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C. Election of Dr. Carroll Brown III to Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board of Directors (Term Until 8/13/28)	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
D. Swearing-In of New Members	FYI	Lida Jennings	5 m
E. Approve Extension of Board Terms for Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board Member Tom Johnstone	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m

Approve extension of term for Dr. Tom Johnstone, renewal term will be from August 30, 2025, through August 30, 2028. Current term ends on August 30, 2025.

III. Information 6:17 PM

A. From the Board	FYI	Lida Jennings	5 m
B. From the CEO/Superintendent	FYI	Matthew Wunder	5 m
C. From the Assistant Superintendents	FYI	Erin Whalen, Michelle Rainey, Steve Wallis	10 m
D. RISE High Update	FYI	Naomi Lara	15 m
E. Financial Update	FYI	Michael Amato	15 m
F. Facilities Update	FYI	Vicente Bravo	5 m

IV. Approval of Minutes 7:12 PM

A. Approve Minutes of the July 3, 2025 Special Board Meeting	Approve Minutes	Lida Jennings	1 m
B. Approve Minutes of the July 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting	Approve Minutes	Lida Jennings	1 m

V. Action Items 7:14 PM

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
A. Approve Facility Agreement Between RISE High and Richstone Family Center (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026)	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
B. Approve Memorandum of Understanding Between RISE High and A Place Called Home (July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026)	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
C. Approve 2025-2026 Report of Alternative Authorization of Teaching Assignments	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
D. Accept June 2025 Check and EFT Transactions Per Management	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
Board is responsible for approving checks and EFT payments over \$10K. This register shows payments exceeding \$10K made directly out of the RISE Bank Account and Paid by Da Vinci that have a RISE-allocated share.			
E. Approve 2024-25 Year End Unaudited Actuals	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
F. Approve the Resolution for the Expenditure of Education Protection Account (EPA) Funds for Da Vinci Schools: LA County	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
The Da Vinci Schools: LA County Board of Trustees resolves to spend RISE's 2025-26 Education Protection Account (EPA) amount of approximately \$25,900 solely on instructional, non-administrative expenses.			

VI. Closing Items

7:20 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting	Vote	Lida Jennings	1 m
Call for motion to adjourn.			

Next Da Vinci Schools: L.A. County Board Meeting (RISE High): September 17, 2025