



# Aurum Preparatory Academy

## Minutes

### Regular Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday April 28, 2021 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

Meeting to be held Virtually (ZOOM)

Aurum Preparatory Academy

1034 66th Avenue

Oakland, CA 94621

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#### Directors Present

C. Davis (remote), J. JORDAN (remote), M. Knutson (remote), P. James (remote), V. Hayes (remote), V. Toke (remote)

#### Directors Absent

A. Benedetto

#### Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

J. JORDAN, V. Toke

#### Guests Present

Anne Kingsley (remote), D. Hardin (remote), John Huddle (remote), S. Samanth (remote)

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#### I. Opening Items

A.

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

P. James called a meeting of the board of directors of Aurum Preparatory Academy to order on Wednesday Apr 28, 2021 at 6:07 PM.

### **B. Roll Call -- Establish Quorum**

J. JORDAN arrived.

V. Toke arrived.

### **C. Approval of the Agenda**

V. Hayes made a motion to Approve Agenda.

M. Knutson seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

V. Hayes      Aye

J. JORDAN    Absent

M. Knutson   Aye

P. James     Aye

C. Davis     Aye

A. Benedetto Absent

V. Toke       Absent

### **D. Public Comment**

John Huddle and Anne Kingsley joined from the public.

Mr. Huddle is a parent of a student at Aurum. He was blown away by Aurum after moving from Los Angeles. Staff met him and toured the project. He is excited about the school and looking forward to helping out more.

Ms. Kingsley is a long time supporter of Aurum and a board candidate

## **II. Consent Items**

### **A. March 24, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

V. Hayes made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 03-24-21.

C. Davis seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

P. James      Aye

J. JORDAN    Absent

V. Toke       Absent

M. Knutson   Aye

C. Davis     Aye

V. Hayes     Aye

**Roll Call**

A. Benedetto Absent

**III. Information and Discussion**

**A. Board Member Recruitment - Anne Kingsley**

Parren James, David Hardin and James Jordan provided comments.

David, Parren James and James Jordan described their meetings that they had with Anne.

**B. Board Retreat**

The Board discussed potential dates for an in-person Board retreat

**C. Board Officers**

The Board elections will happen at the May meeting. All board members were asked to consider their commitment to the board and their interest in serving as an officer of the Board.

**D. Charter School Capital Enrollment Contract**

David reported that he just received the responses to the redlined contract that had been submitted to them with comments from YMC, our legal counsel. The board received the updated contract and discussed the differences in the updated contract. A special meeting next week may be required to vote on the contract.

**E. Legal Representation**

David described what happened with our former law firm, Hansberger & Klein, who terminated their services with us in March. He answered questions from board members and clarified how the relationship with our current firm has improved.

**F. Executive Director's Report**

Presentation made by David Hardin and Swati Samanth.

**G. Financial Update**

David walked through the financial reports (see attached). Next year's budget is still being worked on due to some potential state revenue funding changes that could impact the budget.

**H. Financial Audit**

N/A - voted on at last board meeting

**I. 20 -21 LCAP Update on Goals**

David Hardin presented LCAP update.

#### IV. Action Items

##### A. Charter School Capital Contract

Item was not put to a vote.

##### B. Board Director Vote (Anne Kingsley)

V. Toke made a motion to Add Anne Kingley to the Aurum Board of Directors.

M. Knutson seconded the motion.

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

###### Roll Call

J. JORDAN	Absent
A. Benedetto	Absent
M. Knutson	Aye
V. Hayes	Aye
P. James	Aye
V. Toke	Aye
C. Davis	Aye

##### C. Board Retreat Date and Review of the Board Handbook

M. Knutson made a motion to Schedule Board Retreat for June 19th.

V. Hayes seconded the motion.

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

###### Roll Call

V. Hayes	Aye
A. Benedetto	Absent
C. Davis	Aye
M. Knutson	Aye
V. Toke	Aye
P. James	Aye
J. JORDAN	Absent

##### D. El Dorado 20 - 21 Selpa Participation Agreement

M. Knutson made a motion to Approve El Dorado 20 - 21 Selpa Participation Agreement.

V. Toke seconded the motion.

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

###### Roll Call

V. Hayes	Aye
M. Knutson	Aye
P. James	Aye
J. JORDAN	Aye

**Roll Call**

V. Toke        Aye  
A. Benedetto Absent  
C. Davis      Aye

**V. Closed Session - CEO Evaluation**

**A. Personnel: Public Employee Evaluation - Executive Director**

The Board discussed the evaluation of the Executive Director.

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Board Comments**

Maggie stated that everyone should take care during these times.

**B. Next Board Meeting**

The next board meeting is scheduled for May 26th at 6pm.

**C. Adjourn Meeting**

M. Knutson made a motion to Adjourn the meetin.

V. Toke seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Knutson    Aye  
J. JORDAN     Absent  
C. Davis       Aye  
V. Hayes       Aye  
A. Benedetto Absent  
P. James       Aye  
V. Toke        Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
P. James

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**Documents used during the meeting**

- Resume Kingsley DVC 2021 (1).docx
- Aurum Preparatory Charter School Board Officer Job Descriptions.docx
- Board Report Template.pptx

- Scenario 4 Aurum Financials.xlsx
- 20 - 21 LCAP Draft .docx
- Aurum Prep EM CSC Contract 3-29-21 redline v2 040621 (JAR) (2).docx
- Aurum Prep Board Policy Handbook.docx
- 2021-22 Selpa participation agreement.pdf
- Charter Selpa Certification 5.pdf