

# **Empower College Prep**

## **Governing Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

星期一 九月 22, 2025 at 4:00 下午 MST

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2411 West Colter Street

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## **Agenda**

			Purpose	Presenter	Time
l.	Ор	ening Items			4:00 PM
	Ор	Opening Items			
	A.	Call the Meeting to Order		Kevin Erickson	1 m
	В.	Record Attendance and Guests		Kevin Erickson	1 m
	C.	Review and approve meeting minutes	Approve Minutes	Kevin Erickson	2 m
		Approve minutes for Governing Board Meeting on August 25, 2025			
	D.	Call to the Public		Brian Holman	1 m
II.	Se	enior Management Team Reports 4:05			
	A.	High School Director Report	Discuss	Heather Love	15 m
		Principal Heather Love summarizes goals for the year and baseline data from benchmark exams along with significant curriculum changes.			
	В.	Elementary School Director Report	Discuss	Becky Jones	15 m
		Principal Becky Jones summarizes goals for the year and baseline data from benchmark exams along with significant curriculum changes.			
	C.	Review Emergency Operations Plans	Discuss	Dave Dillman	5 m
		ADE released new minimum standards in August 2024. Every school in Arizona must comply by the 2026–2027 school year under A.R.S. §15-341(A)(31). This version aligns with those requirements and puts us on track early.			
		Director of Operations Dave Dillman will be available to respond to questions during this meeting or outside of Board meetings regarding the school's emergency plans, including all updated state requirements lockdown, evacuation, shelter-in-place, parent-student reunification, and defined emergency roles using the ICS model.			
		No Board vote is needed at this time, but we welcome feedback and questions as we work to mitigate risks and support student and staff safety.			
	D.	Review 4th Quarter Financial Report and Goals for FY26.	Discuss	Angela Ortega	5 m

Purpose Presenter Time

Director of Finance Angela Ortega will summarize financial position concluding FY25 and current investment portfolio, and goals for FY26.

E. Review Financing Options

Discuss

Angela Ortega

25 m

Following a brief update regarding due diligence from the Senior Management Team, Director of Finance Angela Ortega will overview decision points and criteria as we develop our financial strategy for opening a new school serving Maryvale.

The first \$50,000 of earnest money will become non-refundable prior to our next Board meeting. We can extend the closing date until 2026. This conversation will help us develop our financing strategy as we work through the due diligence process and move closer to the closing date.

III. Voting Items 5:10 PM

A. Approve FY25 AFR

Vote

Angela Ortega

5 m

Director of Finance Angela Ortega will provide an overview of the AFR and respond to questions from the Board prior to the Board voting to approve the AFR.

**B.** Approve policies aligned to FY26 Legislative Session

Vote

Steven Inman

5 m

Whereas: Arizona's state legislature passed multiple laws requiring changes to the policies of public schools, and

Whereas: Empower College Prep is a public charter school, and

Whereas: Empower College Prep has not had an active Governance/Policy committee for multiple years, and

Whereas: Empower College Prep has contracted with Osborn Maledon to draft policies in compliance with new legislation and encompassing all policies required for Empower College Prep to adopt.

Therefore, let it be resolved that: Empower College Prep's Governing Board adopt the following policies.

### IV. Strategic Planning / Board Management

5:20 PM

A. Discuss Board Self-Reflection and Goals for FY26

Discuss

Brian Holman

10 m

Purpose Presenter Time

Following the Board Self-Reflection and meetings with the Executive Director over the past month, the Executive Director will synthesize recommendations for the upcoming year for the Board to discuss and share feedback. This will also include a proposed date for the Annual Fundraising Dinner.

V. Executive Session 5:30 PM

A. Discuss ED Contract Discuss Kevin Erickson 10 m

Board will review the Executive Director's performance relative to goals established in FY25.

Board will approve goals for FY26.

VI. Closing Items 5:40 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting Vote