APPROVED

Empower College Prep

Minutes

Board Meeting

January 24, 2022

Date and Time
Monday January 24, 2022 at 4:30 PM

Location
2411 West Colter Street
Phoenix, AZ 85015
* notice can be found on campus in the front office

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2411 West Colter Street

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Trustees Present
A. Brooks (remote), B. Adams Bressler (remote), C. Daniels (remote), K. Erickson (remote), P. Welborn (remote)

Trustees Absent
None

Ex Officio Members Present
B. Holman (remote)

Guests Present
A. Weathersby (remote), Angela Eigh (remote), Becky Jones (remote), kendy walker (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

P. Welborn called a meeting of the board of trustees of Empower College Prep to order on Monday Jan 24, 2022 at 4:36 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Approve November Minutes

P. Welborn made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 11-08-21.
B. Adams Bressler seconded the motion.
minutes approved
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

P. Welborn	Aye
K. Erickson	Aye
B. Adams Bressler	Aye
C. Daniels	Aye
A. Brooks	Aye

II. Reports

A.

Senior Management Team Report

School leaders and Executive Director shared impact COVID is having on academic progress, projections for staff and student stability, and interventions to close learning loss. Executive Director also provided updates regarding financial health and operations, including status of new land acquisition for preschool and starting up bus operations later this year.

III. Voting Items

A. Approve Annual Financial Audit

K. Erickson made a motion to approve Financial Audit.
P. Welborn seconded the motion.
Attached is the Final Annual Financial Audit that was submitted to investors and the State Board for Charter Schools by the deadline.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
A. Brooks	Aye
C. Daniels	Aye
P. Welborn	Aye
B. Adams Bressler	Aye
K. Erickson	Aye

B. Approve closing of member campus at 5757 N. Central Ave. (North Phoenix Baptist Church)

B. Adams Bressler made a motion to Approve Empower College Prep Elementary School closing its member campus located at 2411 W. Colter St., Buildings A & C, Phoenix, AZ 85015 and operating out of a single site.
P. Welborn seconded the motion.
Whereas: Empower College Prep (Charter Holder, Entity ID 91277) has a school, Empower College Prep Elementary School (Entity ID 91783), approved to serve grades K-8, and

Whereas: Empower College Prep Elementary School has previously had a member campus located at 2411 W. Colter St., Buildings A & C, Phoenix, AZ 85015, and

Whereas: Empower College Prep has completed its construction project and consolidated the elementary and middle school grades so that all grades offered by Empower College Prep Elementary School operate on the same site (2411 W. Colter St., Phoenix, AZ 85015).

Therefore, let it be resolved that:
Empower College Prep Elementary School is closing its member campus located at 2411 W. Colter St., Buildings A & C, Phoenix, AZ 85015 and operating out of a single site.

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

Roll Call

P. Welborn	Aye
C. Daniels	Aye
A. Brooks	Aye
K. Erickson	Aye
B. Adams Bressler	Aye

Amendment requested for change of Verbiage to real closing of member campus at 2411 W. Colter Street Building A & C. Amendment motion to approve from Brandi , Pat Second, all agreed.

C. Approve updated mission statement

K. Erickson made a motion to Approve updated mission statement.
B. Adams Bressler seconded the motion.
Whereas: Empower College Prep's original mission was stated: Empower College Prep exists to empower its children to compete academically with students from any school in the country, possess an awareness of how their knowledge and skills are used in the world, and be driven by an instilled sense of responsibility to develop their skills in college in order to maximize their impact in the world. Empower College Prep will prioritize the partnership between the school, families, and the community to lead children to discover and develop their unique gifts, maximize their full human potential, and fulfill their responsibility to positively impact their world. , and Whereas: Empower College Prep has revised its mission through a previous strategic planning process and now uses the following phrase: The mission of Empower College Prep is to empower scholars to succeed in college, solve real-world problems, and maximize their impact in the world. , and Whereas: The school is required to submit a charter amendment to the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools whenever its mission changes. Therefore, let it be resolved that: Empower College Prep to submit a charter amendment updating its mission to be: The mission of Empower College Prep is to empower scholars to succeed in college, solve real-world problems, and maximize their impact in the world
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

P. Welborn	Aye
K. Erickson	Aye
C. Daniels	Aye
B. Adams Bressler	Aye
A. Brooks	Aye

D. Approve Counseling Departent awarding up to 2 electives credits for work completed in high school

C. Daniels made a motion to .Approve Counseling Department awarding up to 2 electives credits for work completed in high school.
A. Brooks seconded the motion.

Whereas: Empower College Prep's graduation requirements exceed the state graduation requirements in order to align with the Arizona Board of Regents requirements to enter a state university, and Whereas: Some students, including a disproportionate number of English Learners and students with Special Needs, require multiple times to earn the additional credits required in Social Studies, Science, Powered by BoardOnTrack 3 of 4 Purpose Presenter Time and Foreign Language (currently, only Spanish is offered and some students enter illiterate in English, Spanish, and their home language that is neither English nor Spanish), and Whereas: Many students begin working in high school to support their families, and Whereas: A growing number of districts and charters are allowing elective credit to be awarded for working outside of the school day. Therefore, let it be resolved that: Empower College Prep's Counseling Department be authorized to award up to 2 elective credits for work completed outside of the school day.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
A. Brooks	Aye
K. Erickson	Aye
P. Welborn	Aye
B. Adams Bressler	Aye
C. Daniels	Aye

IV. 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 1:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Weathersby