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## Elevate School

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Thursday January 13, 2022 at 3:30 PM

#### **Location**

Zoom Meeting ID: 953 0451 5210

Passcode: elevate

The public comment portion of the meeting is set aside for members of the audience to make comments or raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda or those items that are on the agenda. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes per person and the total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Individuals wishing to speak please complete a Public Comment Request Form by 10:00am on the day of the meeting.

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Pursuant to Education Code Section 35144, the State of California's Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code Section 54956, and AB 361 which allows for deviation from established protocols during meetings, the regular meeting of the Elevate Board scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2022, will be conducted via Zoom. The Board will accept public testimony via Zoom for the Regular Meeting.

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#### **Directors Present**

Adam McWethy (remote), Carol Leighty (remote), Cheryl Gorman (remote), Freda Callahan (remote), Jill Soule (remote), Jo Luehmann (remote), Kirsten Grimm (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

*None*

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## Guests Present

DeAnna Jones (remote), Kellie Hooper (remote), Ryan Elliott (remote)

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## I. Opening Items

### A. Record Attendance and Guests

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Carol Leighty called a meeting of the board of directors of Elevate School to order on Thursday Jan 13, 2022 at 3:32 PM.

### C. Approve Agenda

Kirsten Grimm made a motion to approve the agenda.

Adam McWethy seconded the motion.

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

### D. Approve Resolution of the Elevate Board Considering the Continued State of Emergency and Circumstances for Board Meetings by Teleconference Pursuant to the Brown Act

Adam McWethy made a motion to Approve Resolution of the Elevate Board Considering the Continued State of Emergency and Circumstances for Board Meetings by Teleconference Pursuant to the Brown Act.

Jill Soule seconded the motion.

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

### E. Approve Minutes from Board Meeting on December 9

Freda Callahan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 12-09-21.

Cheryl Gorman seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

Jo Luehmann Aye

Carol Leighty Aye

Kirsten Grimm Aye

Cheryl Gorman Aye

Freda Callahan Aye

Jill Soule Abstain

Adam McWethy Aye

### F. Non-Agenda Public Comment

No Public Comment

## II. Agenda Items

### A. Executive Director Report

Ryan Elliott Reported:

- Winter exhibition on Dec. 15th
- Staff celebration in December
- Elevate has been impacted by the new COVID variant, both staff and students
- 244 tests have been administered, Covid 15% positivity rate in January
- At-home test kits have been distributed
- 3 middle students were part of the interview process for a middle school teacher
- Hired a middle school Spanish teacher
- Submitted Impact Aid
- Awarded PCSGP
- Assigned a realtor for the long-term facility project
- 423 applications for 2022-2023, have until the end of February
- Hired 2 new lunch servers
- Hired a behavior interventionist
- January 25th COVID seminar for parents

### B. Financial Update

DeAnna Jones reported on the financials.

### C. Approve FY2020-2021 Financial Audit

Adam McWethy made a motion to Approve FY2020-2021 Financial Audit.

Jo Luehmann seconded the motion.

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

### D. Discussion/Approval of Additional COVID Sick Leave for Staff

Cheryl Gorman made a motion to Approval of Additional COVID Sick Leave for Staff.

Kirsten Grimm seconded the motion.

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

- Provide five (5) COVID-19 sick days for staff during the 21-22 school year who test positive for COVID-19, effective October 1, 2021
- In this instance, COVID Sick Days will be used before an individual's regular sick days
- These days apply only to instances when the staff member tests positive for COVID
- If sick days due to COVID exceed 5 days, the individual will use regular sick days
- Subsequent action by the state may supersede this proposal

### E.

### **Approve Change from Regular Day Schedule to Minimum Day Schedule on January 14**

Kirsten Grimm made a motion to Approve Change from Regular Day Schedule to Minimum Day Schedule on January 14.

Freda Callahan seconded the motion.

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

### **F. Executive Director Evaluation Mid-Year Update**

Postponed until Feb.

### **G. Task Force Updates**

#### **Academic Task Force**

- Freda Callahan reported; items discussed: observation schedule for teachers, independent study contracts, after school tutoring

#### **Financial Task Force**

- Adam McWethy reported: focus on teachers compensation to be in line and competitive with the district

#### **Equity Task Force**

- Jo Luehmann reported: Virtual event on March 17th to build community with parents

#### **Middle School Task Force**

- Kirsten Grimm reported: Building teams and schoolwide culture

#### **Governance Task Force**

- Borad retreat scheduled for January 29th

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

Jill Soule made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Cheryl Gorman seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cheryl Gorman