

APPROVED



Elevate School

Minutes

Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday April 14, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Elevate Middle School Campus, Fireside Room
8404 Phyllis Place
San Diego, CA 92123

17491 Matinal Drive
San Diego, CA 92127 (remote)

15074 Almond Orchard Lane
San Diego, CA 92131 (remote)

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.

Directors Present

Becky Madeja (remote), Chancellor Brown, Cheryl Gorman (remote), Sophie Karagianes, Veronica Maxwell

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

Ryan Elliott

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Cheryl Gorman called a meeting of the board of directors of Elevate School to order on Monday Apr 14, 2025 at 4:06 PM.

C. Approve Agenda

Sophie Karagianes made a motion to approve agenda.
Chancellor Brown seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Cheryl Gorman	Aye
Becky Madeja	Aye
Veronica Maxwell	Aye
Chancellor Brown	Aye
Sophie Karagianes	Aye

D. Approve Minutes from March 10 Regular Board Meeting

Becky Madeja made a motion to approve the minutes from March Board Meeting on 03-10-25.
Sophie Karagianes seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Becky Madeja	Aye
Sophie Karagianes	Aye
Cheryl Gorman	Aye
Chancellor Brown	Aye
Veronica Maxwell	Abstain

E. Approve Minutes from March 27 Special Board Meeting

Veronica Maxwell made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Board Meeting on 03-27-25.
Becky Madeja seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

Chancellor Brown Aye
Veronica Maxwell Aye
Becky Madeja Aye
Cheryl Gorman Aye
Sophie Karagianes Aye

F. Core Values and Board Meeting Protocol

Core Values and Board Meeting Protocol was read aloud by the Board.

G. Non-Agenda Public Comment

Guest (Jane) introduced herself to the Board.

II. Agenda Items

A. Executive Director Report

Great job handling the earthquake today!
475 enrollment - P2 ADA for the year certified today 454.34
First Enrollment letters have gone out for next year
Great talent show!
Girls basketball won their championship, and boys had a strong showing through semifinals - congrats to players and coaches!
Spring break ELOP program was successful, with June program looking to be well attended as well
Month of the Military Child - Spirit Week this week!
State testing starts next week
Currently in second week of Power Hour
NCUST visit was successful

B. Financial Update

478 at the census and 95.7% ADA
Strong cash position
Employee Retention Credit was approved and will be added to the budget
El Dorado SELPA Maintenance of Effort pretest submitted
13% of budget from Federal funds, from Impact Aid Grant, Nutrition Funding (USDA), Title Revenue, and Special Education (IDEA) funds
Another grant is being submitted and, if successful, would yield \$100k/year for the next five years

C. Approve 25-26 Declaration of Need (DON)

Veronica Maxwell made a motion to approve the 25-26 Declaration of Need (DON).
Chancellor Brown seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Cheryl Gorman Aye
Becky Madeja Aye
Chancellor Brown Aye
Veronica Maxwell Aye
Sophie Karagianes Aye

D. Board Recruitment Process

Proposed timeline:

Opening 4/15

Two-week period for applications

Gather and process applications, making recommendations - invite to May or June meeting

Interviews take place and then voting for approval at June 12th meeting (June 9th will be LCAP review)

Confirmed new member would be joining for a full, 3-year term as opposed to assuming the rest of Veronica's term

E. 24-25 Board Goal Updates/Discussion

Director Evaluation:

-Mid-year progress review discussed last week

-Final evaluation for the year was discussed

--Closed session at June 9th meeting to complete evaluation

III. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Sophie Karagianes made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Veronica Maxwell seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

Veronica Maxwell Aye
Becky Madeja Aye
Cheryl Gorman Aye
Sophie Karagianes Aye
Chancellor Brown Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Madeja