



## Alpha Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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##### **Date and Time**

Wednesday December 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM

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##### **Instructions for Presentation to the Board by Parents and Citizens**

Alpha Public Schools ("Alpha") welcomes your participation at the Alpha Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") is to conduct the affairs of Alpha in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in Alpha. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
  2. "Request to Speak" forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda item(s) or under the general category of "Public Comment." All "Request to Speak" forms must be submitted prior to the agenda item.
  3. "Public Comment" is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes each and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern.
  4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your request form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
  5. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address and adhere to the time limits set forth.
  6. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, Alpha may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with
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disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order to participate in Board meetings are invited to contact the Board Secretary's office.

7. If you have any questions or need any assistance in participating in the Alpha Board meeting, please contact Angelica Ruiz at [aruiz@alphapublicschools.org](mailto:aruiz@alphapublicschools.org) or 408)780-1550 x 102.

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#### **Directors Present**

A. Holton (remote), A. Santillan (remote), E. Retuta (remote), J. Mejia (remote), J. Ramirez (remote), J. Wallner (remote), L. Alvarez (remote), P. MacDonald (remote), S. Mahan (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

A. Hendricks

#### **Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

A. Santillan, J. Mejia

#### **Guests Present**

A. Ruiz

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

A. Holton called a meeting of the board of directors of Alpha Public Schools to order on Wednesday Dec 8, 2021 at 6:02 PM.

#### **B. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **C. Board Finding re: Health & Safety Measures**

A. Santillan arrived at 6:04 PM.

S. Mahan made a motion to approve Board Finding re: Health & Safety Measures.

E. Retuta seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Hendricks	Absent
J. Mejia	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
P. MacDonald	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
A. Holton	Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Wallner      Aye  
J. Ramirez      Aye

**D. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**E. Mission Moment**

D. Alvarez led mission moment. Shared success stories about a couple of the alumni.

**II. Board Business - Discussion/Action Items**

**A. Board Appointment: Cindy Wang - Board of Directors**

P. MacDonald made a motion to approve Cindy Wang Board Member appointment.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

J. Wallner      Aye  
J. Mejia          Absent  
L. Alvarez      Aye  
A. Hendricks   Absent  
E. Retuta       Aye  
J. Ramirez      Aye  
S. Mahan       Aye  
A. Holton       Aye  
A. Santillan    Aye  
P. MacDonald   Aye

**B. Board Appointment: Peter MacDonald - Board Chair**

S. Mahan made a motion to approve Peter MacDonald as board chair effective 2/1/22.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Mahan      Aye  
J. Mejia          Absent  
L. Alvarez      Aye  
A. Hendricks   Absent  
J. Wallner      Aye  
J. Ramirez      Aye  
A. Holton       Aye  
E. Retuta       Aye  
P. MacDonald   Abstain  
A. Santillan    Aye

### C. Appreciation for Departing Board Chair

J. Mejia arrived at 6:24 PM.

Board Members and guests took a few minutes to share appreciations and gratitudes for departing board member/chair, Allison Holton.

### D. Educator Effectiveness Block Grant

S. Mahan made a motion to approve Educator Effectiveness Block Grant.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

J. Wallner	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
A. Hendricks	Absent
S. Mahan	Aye
J. Mejia	Aye
A. Holton	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
P. MacDonald	Aye
J. Ramirez	Aye

### E. Public Hearing: A-G Completion Improvement Grant Program

B. Paige opened the public hearing for the A-G Completion Improvement Grant Program at 6:37pm.

1. Input from the public how we will use the funds for the A-G grant (no input from the public.)
2. Shared the vision how APS plans on spending the funds
  - Using states template once it is published

B. Paige closed the public hearing at 6:40pm.

### F. Audit

J. Wallner made a motion to approve the Audit.

P. MacDonald seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

E. Retuta	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
J. Mejia	Aye

**Roll Call**

A. Santillan Aye  
A. Hendricks Absent  
A. Holton Aye  
S. Mahan Aye  
J. Ramirez Aye  
P. MacDonald Aye  
L. Alvarez Aye

**G. Strategic Plan Progress & Updates**

N. Wais provided an update for the Strategic Plan. Cabinet Members (Principals + Executive Team) had an offsite planning day. More information/work will happen during the February board meeting.

**H. BREAK**

Break from 7:21-7:31pm.

**I. Staff Retention Incentive**

J. Wallner made a motion to approve the Staff Retention Incentive plan.

P. MacDonald seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Hendricks Absent  
J. Ramirez Aye  
A. Holton Aye  
P. MacDonald Aye  
L. Alvarez Aye  
A. Santillan Aye  
S. Mahan Aye  
J. Wallner Aye  
J. Mejia Aye  
E. Retuta Aye

**J. College Success Update**

D. Alvarez provided an update on the College Success Program.

He also provided an introduction of himself and his background and provided a quick introduction of the team working on this program.

**K. Glover Scholarship Update**

A refresher and an update were provided for the Glover Scholarship. Last year was the first year, same criterias will remain, but one more will be added, Eligibility for free/reduce lunch.

**L.**

### **1601 Construction Approval**

E. Retuta made a motion to approve the 1601 construction of 2 additional portables.

A. Santillan seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

P. MacDonald	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
A. Holton	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye
J. Ramirez	Aye
J. Mejia	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
A. Hendricks	Absent

### **M. Consent Agenda**

J. Wallner made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda.

J. Ramirez seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

P. MacDonald	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye
J. Ramirez	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
J. Mejia	Aye
A. Hendricks	Absent
A. Holton	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye

### **N. Approve Minutes: Board Meeting 10/13/21**

L. Alvarez made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 10-13-21.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

A. Santillan	Aye
A. Holton	Aye
A. Hendricks	Absent
J. Mejia	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye

**Roll Call**

S. Mahan      Aye  
L. Alvarez      Aye  
P. MacDonald   Aye  
J. Ramirez      Abstain

**III. Closed Session**

**A. 54956.8: Real Estate Negotiations**

Board moved to closed session at 8:29pm.

**B. Public Employment: Chief Executive Officer Evaluation**

**IV. Reconvene Open Session**

**A. Report Action Taken During Closed Session**

Board reconvened open session at 9:21pm.

No action was taken during closed session.

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

S. Mahan made a motion to adjourn meeting.

J. Mejia seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Holton      Aye  
P. MacDonald   Aye  
S. Mahan      Aye  
J. Wallner      Aye  
J. Ramirez      Aye  
L. Alvarez      Aye  
J. Mejia      Aye  
E. Retuta      Aye  
A. Hendricks   Absent  
A. Santillan    Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
A. Holton