



## Alpha Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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##### Date and Time

Wednesday April 5, 2023 at 6:00 PM

##### Location

Alpha: Cindy Avitia High School  
1881 Cunningham Ave, San Jose, CA 95122, USA

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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.
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and adhere to the time limits set forth.

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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. Hendricks, A. Santillan, C. Funches (remote), C. Wang, E. Retuta, J. Wallner, L. Alvarez (remote), M. Rosas, P. MacDonald, S. Mahan (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

J. Mejia, J. Ramirez

### **Guests Present**

A. Ruiz

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## **I. Opening Items**

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

P. MacDonald called a meeting of the board of directors of Alpha Public Schools to order on Wednesday Apr 5, 2023 at 6:02 PM.

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

### **C. Discussion and/or Modification(s) of the Agenda**

A. Hendricks made a motion to approve the meeting agenda.

A. Santillan seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

P. MacDonald	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
C. Wang	Aye
J. Wallner	Absent
J. Mejia	Absent
J. Ramirez	Absent
M. Rosas	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye

**Roll Call**

A. Hendricks Aye  
A. Santillan Aye  
C. Funches Aye

**D. Public Comment**

No public comment

**E. Mission Moment: 10th Anniversary Preview**

Kelsey Wilk (Drama Teacher) shares on BA drama club work and upcoming play “Blanca Stories”

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

**A. Development Update**

1. Shawnte Michael, Associate Director of Development shared
  1. March Newsletter
  2. Information on Blanca Alvarado 10 year anniversary

**B. Talent Update: Hiring and stay interviews**

1. Erin Bryan, MD of Talent, shared about:
  1. Retention strategies and forecast for 2023-24.
  2. Recruitment Efforts
2. From February Problem of Practice, Elizabeth Barrett (Senior Director of Teacher and Leadership Development, discussed Stay Interviews process and initial findings
3. Erin shared about salary scale benchmarking information

**C. Budget 2.0**

Brandon Paige, CFO, shared updates on 2023-24 budget development and four talent focused recommendations

**D. Compensation Proposal: Salary Scale**

A. Hendricks made a motion to approve Salary Scale.  
C. Wang seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

P. MacDonald Aye  
A. Santillan Aye  
C. Wang Aye  
C. Funches Aye

**Roll Call**

A. Hendricks	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent
J. Ramirez	Absent
S. Mahan	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye

**E. Academic Update: Winter NWEA MAP Results**

Cynthia Martinez Nava, CSO, presented information on winter MAP results.

**F. BREAK**

**G. Progress Report: 22-23 Strategies & Initiatives**

Shara Hegde, CEO, shared update on current performance 22-23 strategic initiatives

**H. Alpha's DEI Vision and Belief Statement**

C. Wang made a motion to approve Alpha's DEI Vision and Belief Statement.

A. Hendricks seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Hendricks	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent
S. Mahan	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
P. MacDonald	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
J. Ramirez	Absent
C. Wang	Aye
C. Funches	Aye

**I. Board Calendar 23-24**

C. Wang made a motion to approve Board Meeting Calendar for 23-24.

E. Retuta seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Hendricks	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Ramirez	Absent
C. Funches	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
C. Wang	Aye
P. MacDonald	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent
M. Rosas	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye

**J. Parent Board Member Election Process 2023**

Shara shared progress and next steps on the nomination/election process for adding board members for parents.

**K. Consent Agenda**

C. Wang made a motion to approve consent agenda items.  
A. Hendricks seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

P. MacDonald	Aye
C. Wang	Aye
J. Ramirez	Absent
A. Hendricks	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye
C. Funches	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent
E. Retuta	Aye

**L. Approve 02/08/23 Board Retreat Minutes**

C. Wang made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Retreat on 02-08-23.  
A. Hendricks seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Mejia	Absent
J. Ramirez	Absent
A. Hendricks	Aye
S. Mahan	Abstain

**Roll Call**

P. MacDonald	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye
C. Funches	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
A. Santillan	Abstain
L. Alvarez	Abstain
C. Wang	Aye
J. Wallner	Abstain

**M. Approve 02/08/23 Board Meeting Minutes**

A. Santillan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 02-08-23.

C. Wang seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

J. Wallner	Aye
S. Mahan	Abstain
C. Wang	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
P. MacDonald	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent
J. Ramirez	Absent
A. Hendricks	Aye
C. Funches	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
E. Retuta	Aye

**III. Reconvene Open Session**

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

no action taken during closed session

**IV. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

A. Hendricks made a motion to adjourn meeting.

M. Rosas seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

E. Retuta	Aye
L. Alvarez	Aye
J. Wallner	Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Mejia	Absent
P. MacDonald	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
J. Ramirez	Absent
A. Hendricks	Aye
C. Funches	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
S. Mahan	Aye
C. Wang	Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
P. MacDonald