



## Alpha Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Regular Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday December 13, 2023 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

Alpha: Cindy Avitia High School, Room 23  
1881 Cunningham Ave  
San Jose, CA 95122

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#### **Directors Present**

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

#### **Directors Absent**

A. Hendricks, J. Mejia

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

J. Wallner

#### **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 Dec 13, 2023 at 5:36 PM.

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

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

A. Santillan made a motion to approve Board Agenda.

E. Retuta seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

E. Retuta	Aye
J. Ramirez	Abstain
L. Alvarez	Aye
J. Mejia	Absent

**Roll Call**

J. Wallner	Absent
P. MacDonald	Aye
A. Santillan	Aye
A. Hendricks	Absent
S. Mahan	Abstain
C. Wang	Aye
M. Rosas	Aye
C. Funches	Aye
M. Cazarez	Aye

**D. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**E. Mission Moment: Developments at Alpha: José Hernández School.**

J. Wallner arrived.

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

**A. Consent Agenda**

E. Retuta made a motion to approve items on the consent agenda.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**B. Approve Minutes: October 04, 2023**

C. Wang made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 10-04-23.

J. Wallner seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**C. Development Update**

S. Michael shared funding updates with the board. Updates for the March event and invite were shared.

The board participated in a quick activity- brainstorm potential guests (personal connection).

**D. Financial Audit**

J. Wallner made a motion to approve the Audit.

S. Mahan seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

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

**E. Instructional Evaluation**

E. Barrett shared tool and approach to finalize decision in regard to future instructional evaluations

## **F. Residency Program**

E. Berratt shared background information about APS Residency program. It has been at Alpha for several years.

1. Based on the data- program coming to an end
2. Working on different approach
  1. Partnership w/ E. Bryan

## **G. BREAK**

7:10-7:20pm

## **H. Academic Update**

## **I. Strategic Plan Update**

## **III. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

E. Retuta made a motion to adjourn meeting.

A. Santillan seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
P. MacDonald