Strong Start Academy

STRONG START ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AT THE TONY HSIEH EDUCATION CENTER

BOARD MEETING AGENDA 11/18/2026

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Date and Time

Wednesday November 18, 2026 at 5:00 PM PST

Location

City Hall, 495 S. Main Street, 5th Floor Conference Room, Las Vegas, NV

Note:

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(III) The public body may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on th e agenda at any time.

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Agenda

		Purpose	Presenter	Time
I.	**Opening Items**			**5:00 PM**
A.	Call the Meeting to Order		Lorna James-Cervantes	3 m
B.	Record Attendance		Lorna James-Cervantes	1 m
C.	Public Comment		Lorna James-Cervantes	3 m
	Comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters on the agenda for action. If you wish to be heard, come forward and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, will be limited to three (3) minutes absent Board approval. Public comment may also be given by calling 1-415-655-0001 and entering access code number 2662 953 8355 followed by the # sign.			
D.	Discussion for possible action to approve Minutes from October 14, 2026 Board meeting.	Vote	Lorna James-Cervantes	1 m
E.	Discussion for possible action to approve Minutes from the November 04, 2026 Finance Committee meeting.	Vote	Lorna James-Cervantes	5 m
II.	**Finance**			**5:13 PM**
A.	Report by Nandini Vaishnav from Vertex Education on Strong Start Academy's financial update, including the FY2026-2027 forecast update through September 2026.	FYI	Nandini Vaishnav	5 m
B.	Report by Nandini Vaishnav from Vertex Education on Strong Start Academy's Quarterly 1 Financials.	FYI	Nandini Vaishnav	5 m
C.	Discussion for possible action to approve an amendment for the 2026-27 budget to reflect updates for changes in enrollment, state and federal revenues, and expenses.	Vote	Nandini Vaishnav	5 m

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D.	Discussion for possible action to review and approve FY2026 audit report conducted by Velez & Hardy, LLC.	Vote	Nandini Vaishnav	5 m

III. Executive Update — 5:33 PM

A.	Report by the Executive Director on the status of on-going marketing efforts, open-enrollment, and recruiting.	FYI	Miriam Benitez	5 m
B.	Discussion for possible action to approve the revised Restorative Justice Plan and the Suspension and Appeals Policy.	Vote	Miriam Benitez	5 m

IV. Governance — 5:43 PM

A.	Discussion regarding the results of the Preliminary Organizational Performance Ratings, School Year 2025-2026 conducted by the Nevada State Public Charter School Authority.	Discuss	Lorna James-Cervantes	5 m

V. Citizens Participation

Public comment during this portion of the agenda must be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. No subject may be acted upon by the Board unless that subject is on the agenda and is scheduled for action. If you wish to be heard, come forward and give your name for the record. The amount of discussion on any single subject, as well as the amount of time any single speaker is allowed, may be limited. Public comment may also be given by calling 1-415-655-0001 and entering access code number 2662 953 8355 followed by the # sign.

VI. Closing Items

A.	Adjourn Meeting	FYI

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City Hall, 495 S. Main Street, 5th Floor Conference Room, Las Vegas, NV
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Pursuant to NRS 53.045 and NRS 241.020, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct: The Public Notice and Agenda for the Strong Start Academy Elementary School Governing Board meeting scheduled for November 18, 2026, was posted on November 10, 2026, at the dates, times, and locations identified below.

Posting Location(s): 310 S. 9th Street, Las Vegas, NV, 89101
Date and Time of Posting: 11/10/26 at 8:00 am.
Name and Title of Person Posting: Miriam Benitez, Executive Director
Digital Signature: Miriam Benitez

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Posting Location(s): 495 S. Main Street, Las Vegas, NV, 89101
Date and Time of Posting: 11/10/26 at 8:00 am.
Name and Title of Person Posting: Angela Rose, Manager Education Initiatives, City of Las Vegas
Digital Signature: Angela Rose

Signed by: Miriam Benitez (11/10/2026), Angela Rose (11/10/2026)