



## Compass Charter Schools

### Scholar Leadership Council Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Wednesday December 13, 2017 at 3:00 PM PST

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CCS Central Office: 850 Hampshire Road, Suite P, Thousand Oaks, CA 91361

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#### Agenda

##### I. Opening Items

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- A. Call the Meeting to Order
- B. Record Attendance and Guests
- C. Approval of December 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda

##### II. Special Guests

- A. Scholar Survey Discussion with StrongMind

##### III. Organization of the Scholar Leadership Council

**A. Election of Officers**

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Secretary

**IV. Consent Items**

**A. Consent Items**

Consent Items – Items under Consent Items will be voted on in one motion unless a member of the Council requests that an item be removed and voted on separately, in which case, the Council Chair will determine when it will be called and considered for action. Due to the set-up of BoardOnTrack, approval of any meeting minutes will be done through consent, unless removed and voted on separately as noted above, using the same vote count.

- Approval of November 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

**B. Approval of the November 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**V. Public Comment**

**A. Public Comment**

Addressing the Council – Scholar Leadership Council meetings will be held in a civil, orderly and respectful manner. All public comments or questions should be addressed to the Council through the Chair of the Council. To ensure an orderly meeting and an equal opportunity for each speaker, persons wishing to address the Council must send a Speaker Request Message through the form of a text message or chat box message to Miguel Aguilar, Executive Assistant to the CEO (805-807-8199). Messages must contain speaker name, contact number or email, and subject matter and sent prior to the beginning of the Public Comment section of the meeting. Members of the public may address the Council on any matter relating to the school and have **three (3) minutes each** to do so. The total time of each subject will be fifteen (15) minutes, unless additional time is requested by a Council Member and approved by the Council.

The Council may not deliberate or take action on items that are not on the agenda. However, the Council may suggest direction to staff following a presentation. The Chair is in charge of the meeting and will maintain order, set the time limits for the speakers and the subject matter, and will

have the prerogative to remove any person who is disruptive of the Council meeting. The Scholar Leadership Council may place limitations on the total time to be devoted to each topic if it finds that the numbers of speakers would impede the Council's ability to conduct its business in a timely manner. The Scholar Leadership Council may also allow for additional public comment and questions after reports and presentations if it deems necessary.

**VI. Reports**

- A. Staff Report

**VII. Unfinished Business**

- A. Discussion of Communication & Engagement Initiatives

**VIII. New Business**

- A. Council Member Feedback

- Alexis Gordon
- Vania Linare
- Audrey Millaris
- Elizabeth Perez
- Zephania Senior
- Avery Stansbury
- Maryam Zorba

**IX. Closing Items**

- A. Upcoming Meetings

Scholar Leadership Council  
Wednesday, January 17 at 3 pm

Board of Directors  
Monday, January 29 at 6 pm

- B. Adjourn Meeting

# Coversheet

## Approval of the November 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Section:** IV. Consent Items  
**Item:** B. Approval of the November 15, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Scholar Leadership Council Meeting on November 15, 2017

APPROVED



## Compass Charter Schools

### Minutes

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**Directors Present**

A. Gordon (remote), A. Millaris (remote), A. Stansbury (remote), M. Zorba (remote), V. Linares (remote)

**Directors Absent**

E. Perez, Z. Senior

**Ex Officio Members Present**

J. Lewis

**Non Voting Members Present**

J. Lewis

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**I. Opening Items**

A.

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Lewis called a meeting to order on Wednesday Nov 15, 2017 at 3:08 PM.

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

## **II. Organization of the Scholar Leadership Council**

### **A. Organizing Discussion**

After discussion, it was agreed that the Scholar Leadership Council will meet the third Wednesday of the month at 3 pm. In the event that there are no agenda items, a Council meeting will be cancelled after consultation between the President & CEO and Council Chair. Election of officers, Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary, will occur at the next regularly-scheduled meeting.

## **III. Consent Items**

### **A. Consent Items**

A. Millaris made a motion to approve consent items.

V. Linares seconded the motion.

The team **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **IV. Public Comment**

### **A. Public Comment**

No public comment.

## **V. Reports**

### **A. Staff Report**

Mr. Lewis shared that we are all-in with our new online curriculum with StrongMind, and are in the second week of Parent-Teacher Conferences. First time we have hosted formal Parent-Teacher Conferences. Our next Board of Directors meeting is later this month, looking at finances primarily. We are working on a Filming Project in two weeks, in LA and Santa Ana, to create promotional videos on Compass (interested members can eMail Mr. Lewis to express interest in being filmed today). He also shared that we are looking for testimonials on various sites, including Google, Facebook and Great Schools; looking for members to share positive reviews:

- Google: <http://bit.ly/2mvSvW7>
- Facebook: <http://bit.ly/2z66Ez8>
- Great Schools: will work on links, not ready as of today

Semester 2 starts on February 1, and we are doing a large marketing push after December 26 to share the Compass way with prospective scholars and their families.

## **VI. New Business**

### **A. Review and Discussion of Council Charge**

Mr. Lewis reviewed the council charge and opened the floor for discussion. This is the first year of operation for the Scholar Leadership Council, to be the eyes and ears of scholars at Compass and share the good, bad, and ugly to talk about suggestions and ways to make improvements to the Compass experience for scholars. Members represent over 1,000 scholars.

### **B. Review and Discussion of Communication Initiatives**

Mr. Lewis shared current communication efforts at Compass Charter Schools, including the Monday Morning Update (MMU), quarterly newsletters and social media. The MMU comes out every Monday morning around 8:30 am, and is also posted on both the School tab in the Parent Scholar Portal and Parent & Scholar Resources section of the website. The first quarterly newsletter came out in September, next issue comes out next Wednesday. Compass is on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and a few other channels.

Ms. Gordon shared that we receive enough information. Mr. Stansbury mentioned that communication is a lot better from prior years, and there is a lot more contact. Ms. Linares shared that they know about events and other activities quicker, and it's a lot easier to get information. Ms. Millaris said sometimes it is too hard to read as there is so much information, and it might be good to have less text and more links to the information.

Mr. Lewis asked members to think about questions for a survey to be run over Winter Break, about communication, events, etc. Not more than 10 questions total, one or two questions per member. Will be discussed under Unfinished Business at the next meeting.

### **C. Review and Discussion of Engagement Initiatives**

Mr. Lewis shared information about current engagement initiatives. Mrs. MacAlpine, our Scholar Engagement Coordinator, plans and promotes a number of field trips each month across the state.

Mr. Stansbury shared that we should look at more field trips in LA. Ms. Zorba mentioned that most field trips are not accessible to her due to distance, and would be interested in weekend field trips. Ms. Gordon said she has not been on a field trip as there have not been too many that were exciting near the Carlsbad area, would be interested in the camping trip but she is only in 6th grade and it is for 7th and 8th graders; also suggested Disneyland as a possibility. Ms. Linares suggested field trips catered to specific grades,

like high school and elementary. Ms. Millaris shared that she cannot go on field trips as she is really far from everything, but does have an interest in a science camp possibly.

#### **D. Council Member Feedback**

Ms. Gordon suggested the SLC create a poll/survey of the scholar body, and suggested we offer a Gaming Club.

Ms. Millaris suggested scholars could serve as teacher's aides and tutors at Compass, and to look into a remote operated vehicle competition. Shared that Mrs. Angelo was interested in being the club advisor for a Robotics Club.

Ms. Zorba suggested we look into participating in a Spelling Bee.

### **VII. Closing Items**

#### **A. Upcoming Meetings**

The next meeting of the Scholar Leadership Council will be Wednesday, December 13 at 3 pm, due to Winter Break. Reminder to Council members on homework, elections, and more.

#### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Lewis