



## Compass Charter Schools

### Scholar Leadership Council Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday October 11, 2022 at 2:00 PM PDT

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

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://compasscharters-org.zoom.us/j/7683076920>

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#### Agenda

##### I. Opening Items

Opening Items

- A. Call the Meeting to Order
- B. Record Attendance and Guests

##### II. 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 the October 11, 2022 Regular Meeting Agenda
- Approval of the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

**B.** Approval of the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

**III. 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 Josue Garcia, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent (805-341-6053). 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.

**IV. Reports**

**A.** Staff Report

**V. Unfinished Business**

**VI. New Business**

- A. Discussion on Guest Invitations to Present to the Scholar Leadership Council
- B. Discussion on Questions to Pose to Superintendent & CEO Candidates

**VII. Closing Items**

**A. Upcoming Meetings**

Scholar Leadership Council Meeting  
Tuesday, November 8 at 2 pm

Board of Directors Meeting  
Saturday, December 3 at 10 am

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

# Coversheet

## Approval of the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

**Section:** II. Consent Items  
**Item:** B. Approval of the September 13, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes  
**Purpose:** Approve Minutes  
**Submitted by:**  
**Related Material:** Minutes for Scholar Leadership Council Meeting on September 13, 2022

APPROVED



## Compass Charter Schools

### Minutes

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##### **Directors Present**

A. Gordon (remote), A. Ruediger (remote), A. Stansbury (remote), A. Yeung (remote), B. Bereki (remote), C. Ruediger (remote), J. Lewis (remote), T. Saurer (remote)

##### **Directors Absent**

A. Iihara

##### **Guests Present**

J. Garcia (remote)

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#### **I. Opening Items**

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

J. Lewis called a meeting to order on Tuesday Sep 13, 2022 at 2:00 PM.

##### **B.**

## Record Attendance and Guests

### II. Consent Items

#### A. Consent Items

A. Gordon made a motion to approve Consent Items.

T. Saurer seconded the motion.

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

##### Roll Call

A. Yeung Aye  
A. Iihara Absent  
C. Ruediger Aye  
B. Bereki Aye  
T. Saurer Aye  
A. Stansbury Aye  
A. Ruediger Aye  
A. Gordon Aye  
J. Lewis Aye

#### B. Approval of the May 10, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes

A. Gordon made a motion to approve the minutes from Scholar Leadership Council Meeting on 05-10-22.

T. Saurer seconded the motion.

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

##### Roll Call

A. Stansbury Aye  
A. Ruediger Aye  
C. Ruediger Aye  
A. Iihara Absent  
A. Gordon Aye  
B. Bereki Aye  
A. Yeung Aye  
J. Lewis Aye  
T. Saurer Aye

### III. Council Organization

#### A. Election of the Chairperson

- Taia Saurer, Avery Stansbury, and Airis Yeung were nominated for the position of Chairperson. Each candidate shared a candidate statement and answered questions posed by their fellow Council members. By a vote, Avery Stansbury was elected Chairperson.

#### B.

### **Election of the Vice Chairperson**

Taia Saurer and Avery Stansbury were nominated for the position of Vice Chairperson. Each candidate shared a candidate statement and answered questions posed by their fellow Council members. By a vote, Taia Saurer was elected Vice Chairperson.

### **C. Election of the Secretary**

Alice Provencio was nominated for the position of Secretary. She shared a candidate statement and answered questions posed by her fellow Council members. By vote, Alice Provencio was elected Secretary.

## **IV. Public Comment**

### **A. Public Comment**

Dr. Aviva Ebner, Assistant Superintendent & Chief Academic Officer in Administration and joined the council and thanked the council for investing their efforts in improving the experience for all other scholars.

Dr. Ebner shared her email for open requests: [aebner@compasscharters.org](mailto:aebner@compasscharters.org).

## **V. Reports**

### **A. Staff Report**

Mr. Lewis shared the Staff Report. He mentioned that we are in week three (3) of the 2022-23 school year, and continue to enroll new prospective scholars into Compass. As of today, the overall enrollment is 2,429 scholars across the three (3) charters that Compass operates. He shared that Compass is conducting a study called "Jobs to be done" that focuses on why Compass members are leaving. Mr. Lewis shared an overview and update on the inaugural Weeks of Welcome (WOW) program, which included Back to School Night, program orientations, and department open houses. Event recordings can be found on the Compass YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLd9-AwEUf5zBtjJFrX\\_gPb1HyWEy3TqIX](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLd9-AwEUf5zBtjJFrX_gPb1HyWEy3TqIX). There was also mention that back-to-school picnics are happening next Friday, September 23 from 9:30 am - 11:00 am with a special guest appearance: Curious George. National High School (NHS) is currently recruiting scholars to join. Mr. Lewis also shared that he has submitted his resignation.

## **VI. New Business**

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

Mr. Lewis reviewed the council charge and opened the floor for discussion. The Scholar Leadership Council serves to provide scholar feedback on school policies and procedures at Compass Charter Schools to ensure that they are consistent with its Mission, Vision, and Values. This is the fifth 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. As part of this discussion was a review of the 2020-21 SLC Annual Report, which can be found on the Scholar Leadership Council webpage.

## **B. Discuss Superintendent & CEO Search**

Dr. Steven Lowder joined as a special guest and welcomed comments for two questions:

- What is good about the community?
  - Schedules and Clubs
  - Scholar Governance
  - Family aka great relationships with trusted peers
  - Chances to interact
  - Communication
  - Respect, and understanding
- What is great about Compass?
  - Teachers
  - Advancement
  - Supportive teachers throughout the full journey
- What are the issues a new Superintendent & CEO should know about when coming to this position?
  - "We are afraid the person is not going to be as nice and sweet as Mr. Lewis."
  - "We also wonder if there will be a lot of changes that will happen, and what would those changes be."
  - "Last school year, I had three different teachers in one school year, and it was awful changing between them."
- What are the characteristics, attributes and skills the new Superintendent & CEO should have to be successful in this position?
  - Open minded
  - Listens to kids like us
  - Accepting

Dr. Lowder shared that all ideas should be emailed to Mr. Lewis at [jlewis@compasscharters.org](mailto:jlewis@compasscharters.org) or you also may send them directly to Dr. Lowder at: [s\\_lowder@macnjake.com](mailto:s_lowder@macnjake.com)

## **VII. Closing Items**

### **A. Upcoming Meetings**

The next Scholar Leadership Council Meeting Tuesday, October 11 at 2 pm.



The next regular Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 24 at 10 am.

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
J. Garcia