



# Alta Public Schools

## Minutes

### Meeting of the Alta Public Schools Board

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**Date and Time**

Wednesday May 15, 2024 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

Zoom Meeting: <https://altaps-org.zoom.us/j/83886747318>, Meeting ID: 838 8674 7318, Call: +16699006833,,83886747318#

**In Person:**

8001 Sant Fe Ave., Walnut Park, CA 90255  
2410 Broadway, Walnut Park, CA 90255  
2547 Flower St., Huntington Park, CA 90255  
10616 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles CA 900047  
6350 N Laurel Canyon Blvd, #201, North Hollywood CA 91606  
9850 Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90201

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**Directors Present**

G. Tanner, L. Castellanos (remote), M. Castro (remote), M. Porras (remote), R. Carranza, S. Cortez (remote)

**Directors Absent**

None

**Guests Present**

N. Saenz

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance and Guests**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

R. Carranza called a meeting of the board of directors of Alta Public Schools to order on Wednesday May 15, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

**II. Public Comment**

**A. Public Comment**

No public speakers.

M. Porras made a motion to Approve IB policies for Academia Moderna.

M. Castro seconded the motion.

Presentation and staff report was issued by Superintendent Victor Aguirre.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Castro      Aye

M. Porras      Aye

L. Castellanos Aye

G. Tanner      Absent

R. Carranza    Aye

S. Cortez      Aye

**III. Consent Agenda**

**A. Approved the Changes to the Minutes of 8/9/23**

**B. Approve minutes of April 10, 2024**

G. Tanner made a motion to Approve Minutes of 4/10/24.

M. Porras seconded the motion.

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

**IV. Action Items**

**A. Approve Academic Report**

M. Porras made a motion to Approve Academic Report A Approve IB Policies for AMCS B Approved Revised 2024-2025 School Calendar.

R. Carranza seconded the motion.

Staff report and presentation was presented by Superintendent Victor Aguirre.

Academia Moderna Head of School, Javier Alvarado reported on item A. "Approve IB Policies for AMCS."

Item A votes are as follows:

Moved By Mary Porras

Seconded by Dr. Raul Carranza

Ayes:

Luz Maria Castellanos

Dr. Raul Carranza

Sam Cortez

Mary Porras

Absent:

Mario Castro

Greg Tanner

Item B votes are as follows:

Moved By Mary Porras

Seconded by Samuel Cortez

Ayes:

Luz Maria Castellanos

Dr. Raul Carranza

Sam Cortez

Mary Porras

Absent:

Mario Castro

Greg Tanner

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

**Roll Call**

G. Tanner      Absent

L. Castellanos   Aye

M. Castro      Absent

M. Porras      Aye

S. Cortez      Aye

R. Carranza   Aye

**B. Approve Financial Report for March 2024 for AMCS, PTLAMS and APS Central Office**

Item B tabled due to presenter not available.

**C. Approve a Draw from the Hamni Bank SFA Credit Account**

S. Cortez made a motion to Approve a draw from Hamni Bank SFA credit account.

L. Castellanos seconded the motion.

Presentation and staff report was issued by Jesse Gutierrez and Xavier Reyes from Alta Public Schools.

Board members and APS ensued in a brief discussion. Board member Samuel Cortez requested for APS to re-negotiate payment terms with vendors.

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

**Roll Call**

G. Tanner	Absent
M. Porras	Aye
S. Cortez	Aye
L. Castellanos	Aye
R. Carranza	Aye
M. Castro	Absent

**D. Approve Authorizing the Pursuit of Bond ReFinancing/School Project and Intent to Reimburse Expenditures**

Presentation and staff report was issued by John Phan from Companile Group.

Board members and staff ensued in a brief discussion.

Board member Dr. Raul Carranza requested to have the item tabled for a future meeting when the board president was present for the meeting. Dr. Raul Carranza is requesting for a full board to be present.

Item was tabled.

**E. Approve Application for CSFA Grant to Cover Bond Issuance Costs**

R. Carranza made a motion to Approve application for CSFA Grant to Cover Bond Issuance Costs.

S. Cortez seconded the motion.

Presentation and staff report was presented by John Phan from Companile Group.

Board members and staff ensued in a brief discussion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Carranza	Aye
M. Castro	Aye
L. Castellanos	Aye
G. Tanner	Absent
M. Porras	Aye
S. Cortez	Abstain

**F.**

**Approve Declaration of Need Permitting Issuance of Emergency Teacher Permits and EDCode 44258.7(c)(d)**

**V. Staff Reports**

**A. Organization Management, Programs and Operations Report**

Staff report and presentation was tabled by Mr. Xavier Reyes.

Closed session was requested for 1 item by Mr. Reyes.

**VI. Closed Session**

**A. Closed Session: Personnel Matter (1 Item)**

Board returned from closed session at 7:50 pm.

Dr Raul Carranza reported no actions taken during closed session.

**VII. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

M. Porras

**B. NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 12, 2024**