



# **TEACH** Public Schools

# Minutes

TEACH Public Schools Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday November 17, 2021 at 5:00 PM

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# **Directors Present**

A. Dragon (remote), J. Lewis (remote), J. Lobdell (remote), S. Burrows (remote)

#### **Directors Absent**

None

#### **Guests Present**

B. Bulgeron (remote), K. McGregor (remote), M. Brown (remote), M. Pimienta (remote), R. Carranza (remote), S. Rhee (remote), S. Torres (remote)

# I. Opening Items

#### A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Lewis called a meeting of the board of directors of TEACH Public Schools to order on Wednesday Nov 17, 2021 at 5:02 PM.

# **B. Record Attendance**

### C. Public Comment

No public comment

# II. Consent Items

# A. Consent Items: Approve the Current Agenda and Minutes From the Previous Meeting

S. Burrows made a motion to approve consent agenda.

J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- J. Lewis Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- S. Burrows Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- S. Burrows made a motion to approve the minutes from TEACH Public Schools Governing Board Meeting on 10-20-21.
- J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- S. Burrows Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- J. Lewis Aye

#### **Resolution to Hold Virtual Board Meetings**

S. Burrows made a motion to approve consent agenda items.

J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- S. Burrows Aye
- J. Lewis Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye

#### C. Corrections and Revisions to the Employee Handbook

- S. Burrows made a motion to approve consent agenda items.
- J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- J. Lewis Aye
- S. Burrows Aye

# D. Revised Fiscal Policy

S. Burrows made a motion to approve consent agenda items.

J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

- J. Lewis Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- S. Burrows Aye
- A. Dragon Aye

#### III. Items Scheduled for Information and Potential Action

# A. TEACH Public Schools First Interim Quarter Financial Report

S. Burrows made a motion to Approve the First Interim Quarter Financial Report. A. Dragon seconded the motion.

Theresa Thompson gave the financial report that included October highlights and forecast through June 2022. She noted that schools had healthy beginning and end fund balances and exceeded the requirements fo bonds and cash on hand. She explained the current asset to liabilities ration and the board asked about revised budgets if enrollment did not meet projections. Matt added the current enrollment and attendance data. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

J. Lobdell Aye

S. Burrows Aye

A. Dragon Aye

J. Lewis Aye

### B. Election of New Board Chair and Secretary

S. Burrows made a motion to Approve Lewis as new Chair and Burrows as new Secretary.

J. Lobdell seconded the motion.

The board discussed the time commitment involved in holding office. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### Roll Call

- J. Lewis Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- S. Burrows Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye

# C. Resolution of the Board of Directors of TEACH, Inc, Considering the Increase in Salaries in Order to Attract and Retain High Quality Staff

J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the Resolution of the Board to increase salaries.

J. Lewis seconded the motion.

Matt Brown presented the rationale for the salary increases and explained that the increases were included in the budget presentation.

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

#### Roll Call

S. Burrows Aye J. Lobdell Aye A. Dragon Aye J. Lewis Aye

#### D. Principal's Report: TEACH Preparatory Elementary School

Sharon Rhee gave the elementary school report and explained that the elementary school has a strong culture and was optimistic that this foundation will allow the staff to focus on academic improvement going forward. Rhee also updated the Board on the opportunity to participate in upcoming WASC accreditation.

# E. Principal's Report: TEACH Academy of Technologies

Suzette Torres gave the presentation for the middle school and included discussions about parent outreach, opportunities to get the vaccine, and student morale. She also updated the board on the percentage of students who have been vaccinated.

### Principal's Report: TEACH Tech Charter High School

Frank Williams gave the update for the high school and explained that Independent Study was not going well and there has been high turnover at the high school. The board asked questions about the turn over.

# G. CEO's Report

Dr. Carranza gave the CEO report and explained to the board that he was also concerned about the turnover at the high school. He thanked the board for the salary increase and told the board there has been negative feedback and confusion regarding the different academic calendar for each school.

### **IV. Closing Items**

### A. Upcoming Meeting Date

The December Regular Board meeting was changed from December 22 to December 15 at 5:30. A public hearing will be held to provide input into the Teacher Effectiveness Grant at 5 pm that same day.

### **B.** Public Comment

No public comment

# C. Board Member Comments

The board conveyed gratitude for the work of the staff.

# D. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Lewis