



TEACH Public Schools

Minutes

TEACH Public Schools Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday July 27, 2022 at 5:00 PM

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Directors Present

A. Dragon (remote), C. Sandoval (remote), J. Lewis (remote), J. Lobdell (remote)

Directors Absent

S. Burrows

Ex Officio Members Present

R. Carranza (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

R. Carranza (remote)

Guests Present

B. Bulgeron (remote), E. Robles (remote), K. McGregor (remote), M. Brown (remote), M. Pimienta (remote), T. Thompson (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Lewis called a meeting of the board of directors of TEACH Public Schools to order on Wednesday Jul 27, 2022 at 5:03 PM.

C. Public Comment

No Public Comment

II. Consent Items

A. Consent Items: Approve the Current Agenda and Minutes From the May 18, 2022 Meeting and the June 17, 2022 Meeting

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the Consent Agenda Items.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- J. Lobdell Aye
- S. Burrows Absent
- J. Lewis Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- C. Sandoval Aye
- J. Lobdell made a motion to approve the minutes from TEACH Public Schools Regular Board Meeting on 05-18-22.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- C. Sandoval Aye
- J. Lewis Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- S. Burrows Absent
- J. Lobdell made a motion to approve the minutes from TEACH Public Schools Governing Board Meeting on 06-17-22.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- C. Sandoval Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- S. Burrows Absent
- J. Lewis Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye

B. Resolution to Hold Virtual Board Meetings

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the consent agenda items.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- S. Burrows Absent
- C. Sandoval Aye
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- J. Lewis Aye

C. Approve the Updated Student and Parent Handbooks

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the consent agenda items.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- J. Lewis Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- S. Burrows Absent
- A. Dragon Aye
- C. Sandoval Aye

III. Items Scheduled for Information and Potential Action

A.

Introduction to the new Principal of TEACH Academy of Technologies

Matt Brown introduced the new Principal of the middle school, Maricela Williams and Ms. Williams said a few words about her excitement for the new school year and what was going on at the school site to prepare.

B. TEACH Public Schools Financial Report

Theresa Thompson gave the financial report for the May financials. She explained that the books are not cleared out until the end of July for the year. The schools have good operating cash, and are in a good financial position. There is no anticipation of financial distress. The report included the learning grants and the attached report provides greater detail for each school.

Ms. Thompson also reviewed the budget overview that was approved in June in light of the Governor's updates. The outlook for 22-23 projections is positive and shows state revenue increases in several categories.

Board member Lewis asked about TK and the tabled agenda item of investments. Mr. Brown responded that he is anticipating that he will put that before the board in a month or so and explained that interests rates are increasing.

C. Approval of the Contract for Substitute Teacher Services

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the contracts for substitute teacher services.
- A. Dragon seconded the motion.

Matt Brown presented the substitute services contracts and the need for several vendors. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

- J. Lewis Aye
- S. Burrows Absent
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- C. Sandoval Aye

D. Approval of the Contract for Special Education Services

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the contract for special education services.
- C. Sandoval seconded the motion.

Matt Brown presented the rate sheet for special education services from the existing provider.

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

Roll Call

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

Roll Call

- C. Sandoval Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye

E. Update on Annual Independent Audit

Matt Brown gave an update on the independent audit process with CLA and explained that TEACH is in the process of submitting documents for the audit.

F. LAUSD Oversight Reports

Board Chair Lewis combined this agenda item with item G. Matt Brown presented and gave an overview of the LAUSD oversight process and scores. He compared the governance score of the high school and elementary with the middle school score which was lowered due to the fact that TEACH did not submit to a material revision of the contract to lower the enrollment cap. He explained the enrollment cap dispute and the potential harm it could cause to the schools' financial stability as well as its ability to serve the students in the neighborhood who choose TEACH as a better alternative to their district neighborhood school.

The Board asked questions, including whether the issue was brought up by auditors, and Matt explained it was not.

G. Discussion of the Enrollment Cap Dispute for TEACH Academy of Technologies

This item was addressed with item F.

H. Resolve to Exercise the Local Assignment Option

- A. Dragon made a motion to Resolve to exercise the local assignment option.
- J. Lewis seconded the motion.
- Dr. Pimienta presented the local assignment option and explained how the options work and how TEACH was using these options to fill positions. Board member Sandoval asked about the long term substitute option and Dr. Pimienta provided clarification.

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

Roll Call

- S. Burrows Absent
- A. Dragon Aye
- J. Lewis Aye
- J. Lobdell Aye
- C. Sandoval Aye

I. Approve the Food Services Contract

- J. Lobdell made a motion to Approve the Food Services Contract.
- C. Sandoval seconded the motion.

Enrique Robles presented this agenda item and explained the RFP process and the award. Board Member Sandoval asked about the quality of the food from the vendor that Robles was presenting to the board and he admitted there was questions about the quality, but that the company was in the process of being acquired by Revolution Foods who allowed a 30 day cancellation notice should the school not be satisfied with the food. Board Member asked about the other bids that were not presented and the criteria and evaluation of the bids that was also not submitted. The board expressed concerns about whether another vendor could assume the role after 30 days if the food quality does not improve. The board also stressed that all bids and evaluation should come before the board so the board can make an educated decision.

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

Roll Call

C. Sandoval Aye

J. Lobdell Aye

A. Dragon Aye

S. Burrows Absent

J. Lewis No

IV. Closing Items

A. Upcoming Meeting Date

The next Regular Governing Board meeting will be held on August 24th at 5 pm.

B. Public Comment

C. Board Member Comments

Sandoval welcomed Principal Williams and Lewis expressed excitement about the upcoming school year.

D. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Lewis