

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EDISON-BETHUNE CHARTER ACADEMY**

1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706

August 25, 2016

5:30pm

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO
THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS**

The Edison-Bethune Charter Academy (“EBCA”) welcomes your participation at the EBCA Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the EBCA in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our EBCA. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. “Request to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.” “Oral Communications” is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
3. You may also complete a “Request to Speak” form to address the Board on Agenda items. With regard to such agenda items, you may specify that agenda item on your “Request to Speak” form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
5. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at 1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, the Edison-Bethune Charter Academy may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order participate in Board meetings are invited to contact the Executive Director’s office in person or by calling (559) 457-2530. Please contact EBCA at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to a regular meeting or as early as possible prior to a special meeting to allow EBCA sufficient time to arrange for the provision of such auxiliary aids and services.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 5:32 pm

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Frances Davis	<u> X </u>	_____
Gretchen Saldana	<u> X </u>	_____
Jamie Gearon	<u> X </u>	_____
Tony Smith	<u> X </u>	_____ (5:41)
Sonny Uwaoma	<u> X </u>	_____
Gloria Smith	_____	<u> X </u>
Brenda Paxton	<u> X </u>	_____

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Frances asks for a motion to adopt the Agenda...Jamie makes the motion to approve Adoption of Agenda...Gretchen seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken due to California’s public meeting laws. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

The Board may not have complete information available to answer questions and may refer specific concerns to the Executive Director for attention. The Board requests that any person wishing to make complaints against EBCA or EBCA employees file the appropriate complaint form prior to this meeting. We appreciate your input and EBCA will respond to your complaint in accordance with our complaint policies and procedures.

B. For Information:

This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the previous Board meeting. No action will be taken as the report is purely for informational purposes.

Report from Executive Director/Principal – Mr. Garcia

The Executive Director will update the Board on current events on campus, including but not limited to the events and important information around campus.

Mr. Garcia shared:

- School off and running to smooth start. 3 days of staff development held prior to start of school. Ice cream social was well attended.
- Back to School Night was well attended last night – 8/24/16
- 570 students enrolled 5 more on Monday expected
- Surveillance cameras were installed over the summer
- Implementing ELA newly purchased Journeys curriculum
- Getting ready to roll out Chromebooks to grades 3 through 6
- Mantra this year is Rising above the rest always at our best
- We plan on implementing a kindness challenge this year
- Expectations are being set and we are excited about a new year.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

The Curriculum and Instruction Director will update the Board regarding student assessments and curriculum.

Mr. Sprattling shared:

- ELA Publisher did some training on new curriculum with staff
- FCOE provided some training on merging Discipline that restores and Time to Teach to one flow chart.
- New curriculum have tons of resources for teacher to use.
- Shared CAASP state test results and show comparison to all FUSD elementary school. Even though we dropped some from the previous year, our scores are still respectable when compared to neighboring schools. Gretchen asked about looking at data for EBCA students in High school. We don't have access to FUSD data as they have their own student information system.
- We need to get continue to expose our students to taking an adaptive test.

Report from Truancy Mediation Liaison – Mr. Solis

The Truancy Mediation Liaison will update the Board regarding student attendance and discipline.

Mr. Solis shared:

- Current ADA 97% Goal is to stay above 95%
- Passed out sponsor list for Great attendance challenge
- Continue our give away on Fridays to parents to come to morning blacktop

Report from Technology Director – Mr. Lek

The Technology Director will update the Board regarding technology on campus.

Mr. Lek shares:

- We have expanded our wireless broadband from 100MB to 1 GB
- 13 chromebook carts and one roaming cart available.
- We collapsed from two labs to one lab which is designated to K-2
- Lek gave a demonstration on newly installed surveillance system

V. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The director recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

- A. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting of June 16, 2016.
- B. Approval of Warrant Report for June and July 2016.
- C. New Hires for 2016-17

Frances asks for a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda...Sonny makes the motion to approve Adoption Consent Agenda...Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Review Conflict of Interest Policy

This items is up for review

Frances asks for a motion to approved the Conflict of Interest Policy...Jamie makes the motion to approve Conflict of Interest Policy...Tony seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

- B. Approve 2016-17 Board Calendar

Presented Calendar with mostly fourth Thursday of the month except Nov. Dec. June.

Frances asks for a motion to approved the 16-17 Board Calendar...Jamie makes the motion to approve 16-17 Board Calendar...Tony seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

C. Attendance/Drop Policy

This items was brought back from a June discussion. Revised proposed policy addressed area of concerns that were discussed in June. Sonny asked what happens to dropped students. Mr. Garcia explained the process EBCA uses.

Frances asks for a motion to approved the Attendance/Drop Policy...Sonny makes the motion to approve the Attendance/Drop Policy...Jamie seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

VII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Frances asks for a motion to adjourn...Sonny makes the motion to adjourn...Gretchen seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GSM-Absent JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes BP-YES Motion Carried

IX. NEXT MEETING: September 22, 2016