

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

1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706

NOVEMBER 20, 2014

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.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 5:35pm.

B. ROLL CALL

| | Present | Absent |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Frances Davis FD | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |
| Gretchen Saldana GS | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |
| Enrique Reade | <u> </u> | <u> x </u> |
| Jamie Gearon JG | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |
| Tony Smith TS | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |
| Sonny Uwaoma SU | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |
| Gloria Smith GS | <u> x </u> | <u> </u> |

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA- Motion-by SU, 2nd by TS- Yes-FD-Yes- GS-Yes- JG-Yes- TS-Yes -SU-Yes-GS
MOTION APPROVED

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF October 23, 2014
Motion by TS, 2nd by GS-Yes-FD-Yes-GS-Yes-JG-Yes-TS-Yes-SU-Yes-GS
MOTION APPROVED

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. 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 District employees file the appropriate complaint form prior to this meeting. Speakers are cautioned that under California law, no person is immune from liability for making intentionally false or defamatory comments regarding any person simply because these comments are made at a public meeting.

B. For Information: Executive Director's Report

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. – No report for this meeting.

III. CLOSED SESSION

- A. ANNOUNCEMENT OF REASONS FOR CLOSED SESSION.
Prior to entering closed session, the Board will publicly announce the items to be covered in closed session. **NO ITEMS FOR CLOSE SESSION**
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (1 case) **NO ITEMS FOR CLOSE SESSION**

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting was reconvened to open session at N/A.

PUBLIC REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (includes the vote or abstention of every member present). – N/A

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Approval of First Interim Report – Karl Yoder from DMS to present
Karl presented our First Interim Report as the YTD actuals thru October 31, 2014 and a budget update from the original July budget and the projection shows that EBCA is in a financially solvent position. He mention we have an increase of in ADA from 499 to 525.35. The adjustment to the budget provided that we would have a 7% increase in our fund balance, and he recommended that we work toward maintaining a 20% fund balance.

Motion to approve First Interim Report. Motion by SU, 2nd by-JG-Yes- FD-Yes-GS-Yes-JG-Yes-TS-Yes-SU-Yes-GS **MOTION APPROVED**

- B. Presentation and Approval of Monthly Financial Report by DMS – Karl Yoder
Karl discussed that we are on track on our monthly expenses. Mr. Garcia made a recommendation to the board to consider using the fund balance reserves towards incentive bonuses for our teachers. Board discussed the recommendation and they will consider it as the end of the year balances are finalized.

Motion to approve Monthly Financial Report by DMS. Motion by GS, 2nd by TS Yes-FD-Yes-GS-Yes-JG-Yes-SU- Yes-GS-Yes-TS **MOTION APPROVED**

- C. Employee Resignations – Noon Time Assistant and Licensed Vocational Nurse
Mr. Garcia explained to the board members that our LVN and Noontime assistant resign their position. Also mention that he interviewed new candidates for these positions.

Motion to approve Resignation. Motion by TS 2nd by GS Yes- FD-Yes-GS-Yes-GS-Yes- TS-Yes JG-Yes-SU **MOTION APPROVED**

- D. Board Resignation – Enrique Reade
Mr. Garcia sent Enrique a letter asking him if he was going to resign his position as a board member. Enrique returned sign letter confirming his resignation from the board.

Motion to approve resignation by TS 2nd by FD –Yes-GS-Yes-GS-Yes-SU-
Yes-JG-Yes-TS-Yes-FD **MOTION APPROVED**

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Filling Vacant Board Member Seat – Copies of Bylaws provided
Mr. Garcia mentions he has a couple of people that are interested in being board members. He will be inviting them to attend one of our meetings.
- B. Fresno Unified MOU Modifications – Special Education and Cafeteria
The MOU with Fresno Unified cannot be change this year. Fresno Unified needs I year notice for changes to be made. So we will be taking this year to research our options regarding (SELPA).
Building Better Communities – free snack and dinners for approx. 250 of the after school program students will start on January 12, 2015.
- C. Insurance Research – Vandalism Reimbursement
Insurance company will not cover any personal liability for vandalism.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

Motion to adjourn by Sonny Uwaoma 2nd by Tony Smith Yes-GS-Yes- GS-Yes-JG-Yes-TS-Yes-SU

Next meeting December 18, 2014