

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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

1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706

January 28, 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>	_____
Sonny Uwaoma	<u> X </u>	_____
Gloria Smith	<u> X </u>	_____

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Frances asks for motion to approve agenda...Tony makes motion to approve minutes...Gretchen seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Yes JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes Motion Carried

E. STUDENT RECOGNITION

Mr. Sprattling and Mr. Solis brought forth students to be recognized for academic achievement and attendance.

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.

NONE

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 Active Shooter Training, Spring Conference Bully Assembly, Prop 39 Energy Efficiency Update and Report from Parent Meeting.

Mr. Garcia gave information to board on Prop 39 progress and heat pump installation in 6 portables. Building better communities is providing hot meal for After School Program. We were chosen by FCOE to run a pilot Farmer’s Market we will start every other Wednesday 3:15-4:45. We continue to pursue options for Special ED with FCOE, we will this Friday with FCOE. We will ask FUSD about converting the freezer to Refrigerator in cafeteria. We will try to get some quotes on installing cameras around campus.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

The Curriculum and Instruction Director will update the Board regarding student assessments and curriculum. Mr. Sprattling presented this during recognition part of meeting-He presented official CDE CAASP- ELA results 2015. EBCA did well compared to others in our county.

Report from Truancy Mediation Liaison – Mr. Solis

The Truancy Mediation Liaison will update the Board regarding student attendance and discipline. Mr. Solis presented this info during recognition- He explained our Core value rewards and how students can redeem their award.

III. CLOSED SESSION at 6:05 pm

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. Frances announced that we would go into closed session to discuss anticipated litigation.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

IV. PUBLIC SESSION

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting was reconvened to open session at 6:17.

PUBLIC REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION Frances reports No action taken in closed session.

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 November 19, 2015
- B. Approval of Warrant Report for November and December.
- C. Approval of Field Trips for 2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade.

Frances asks for motion to approve Consent Agenda... Tony makes motion to approve Consent agenda items A, B, C - Sonny seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Yes JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes Motion Carried

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Approval of 2014-15 Audit Report
- B. Approval of 2015-16 1st Interim Financial Report
- C. Approval for new Business Account at Wells Fargo for the After School Program

Each Item A, B, C, were discussed separately but approved with one motion. During Item A – discussion Jamie asks if nonprofits need to zero out. Susan says school don't. We are happy to report we did not have any findings this year. During discussion of Item B – Gretchen ask about negative variances. Susan said we would look into with DMS so we can have a better understanding of what is being reported. Jamie ask about the change in projected ADA. The reason for this was explained to better reflect our current ADA estimate. Service fee was questioned. It was reported that we would talk to DMS about this and get back to Board. Item C – was presented because we need an account for the After School Program for the Farmer's Market.

Frances asks for motion to approve Items A, B, C, scheduled for action... Tony makes motion to approve items A,B,C scheduled for action, ...Gretchen seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Yes JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes Motion Carried

- D. Approval of new purchase of 60 new Chromebooks
We moved this item first and Mr. Lek presented 3 quotes for the purchase of 60 chromebooks. We will be issuing them to teachers to be used for daily assessments. We will pull them back during testing. Mr. Lek recommends the ZONES quote.

Frances asks for motion to approve ZONES quotes... Tony makes motion to approve ZONES quotes as presented ...Sonny seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes GS-Yes JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes Motion Carried

VII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43.

Tony makes motion to adjourn...second by Sonny

Vote FD-Yes GS-Yes JG-Yes TS-Yes SU-Yes GS-Yes Motion Carried

IX. NEXT MEETING:

February 25, 2016