



# Environmental Charter Schools

## Board of Directors' Meeting

By Teleconference/Zoom

**Date and Time**

Thursday September 10, 2020 at 5:00 PM PDT

**Location**

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/147466498>

OR

Dial-In: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 147 466 498

Two-way Teleconference Location: 2625 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Suite 100, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

ECS Board Members	Term and End Date
Mr. Anthony Jowid, President.....	3 years June 30, 2022
Mr. Ken Deemer, Vice President.....	3 years June 30, 2022
Dr. Denise Berger, Secretary.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Ms. Zena Fong.....	2 year June 30, 2023
Ms. Jenina Ramirez.....	3 years June 30, 2021
Dr. Hughie Barnes.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Dr. Madhu Chatwani.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Kennedy Hilario.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Lawndale Elementary School District Representative.....	Rotating Position

**ECS Staff**

- Ms. Farnaz Golshani-Flechner, Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director
- Ms. Danielle Kelsick, Chief Academic Officer/Director of Curriculum and Instruction
- Ms. Alison Diaz, Director of Growth and Sustainability (Facilities)
- Ms. Kami Cotler, Director of Strategic Initiatives
- Dr. Beth Bernstein-Yamashiro, Director of Principal Development/Principal Coach
- Ms. KC Fabiero, Principal at ECHS
- Dr. Geneva Matthews, Principal at ECMS-Inglewood

Mr. Dave Trejo, Principal at ECMS-Gardena

**Mission:**

Reimagine public education in low-income communities of color to prepare conscious, critical thinkers who are equipped to graduate from college and create a more equitable and sustainable world.

**Values:**

JUSTICE - We examine bias, racism, and prejudice. We deliver culturally-responsive curricula. We succeed when students' race and class cease to predict their level of achievement.

COMMUNITY - We care. We collaborate. We respect the rights and voices of our stakeholders.

CURIOSITY - We question. We explore. We innovate.

SUSTAINABILITY - We think globally and act locally. We adapt. We encourage systems thinking to create a sustainable future.

LEADERSHIP - We listen. We think critically. We advocate. We shift public discourse. We are our own superheroes.

**THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

**PUBLIC SPEAKERS AT BOARD MEETINGS**

Notice is hereby given that consistent with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentation will be for information only. The public should be aware that the Board is unable by law to deliberate or take action on items raised during the Presentations from the Floor section.

Environmental Charter Schools recognizes that it benefits greatly from public input and perspective. Individuals are invited to address the Board on any topic or subject matter that falls within the Environmental Charter School's purview. Speakers may sign up in person immediately prior to the beginning of the Board meeting by turning in a Speaker Form (available at the check-in table in English and Spanish).

Should a member of the public wish to speak on matters not listed on the agenda, they may speak during the Presentations from the Floor section of the agenda. Speakers will be given a maximum of three (3) minutes each to address the Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of six (6)

minutes each). Please note that the Board allows a maximum of 10 minutes to each subject as determined by the Board's presiding officer.

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### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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#### **Agenda**

	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Presenter</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>5:00 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A. Record Attendance and Guests</b>		Anthony Jowid	2 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gretchen Janson, Ed.D., Lawndale Elementary School District (LESD) Assistant Superintendent, Business Services (attending as LESD board representative for this ECS board meeting)</li> </ul>			
<b>B. Call the Meeting to Order</b>		Anthony Jowid	1 m
<b>C. Approve the agenda</b>	Vote	Anthony Jowid	1 m
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Version en español está <a href="#">aquí</a></li> </ul>			
<b>II. Presentations from the Floor</b>			<b>5:04 PM</b>
<b>A. Presentations from the floor on non-agenda Items</b>	FYI		

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**B. Presentations from the floor on agenda items** FYI

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**III. Reports/Presentations**

**5:04  
PM**

**A. ECS updates** Discuss ECS Principals & Kami Cotler 50 m

- Principals Updates
- Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan Presentation

**B. College presentation and alumni tracking update** FYI ECHS Counselors Team 10 m

**C. Development update** FYI Julie Vo 12 m

- Fundraising YD update is [here](#)

**D. EdTec financial review** FYI Dorothy Lee 15 m

- August 2020 financial update slides is [here](#)
- ECHS YTD income statement & cash flow and 2020-2021 revised budget is [here](#)
- ECMS-G YTD income statement & cash flow and 2020-2021 revised budget is [here](#)
- ECMS-I YTD income statement & cash flow and 2020-2021 revised budget is [here](#)
- ECHS 2 YTD income statement & cash flow and 2020-2021 revised budget is [here](#)
- ECS balance sheet is [here](#)

**E. ECHS #2 LOI update** FYI Alison Diaz 2 m

**F. Menlo 165th refinance update** FYI Tracy Bondi 2 m

**IV. Public Hearing**

**6:35  
PM**

On Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan pursuant to California Education Code 43509

**A. Learning Continuity and Attendance Plans** Discuss Kami Cotler 10 m

- Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan - Executive Summary is [here](#)
- ECHS is [here](#)

- ECMS-Gardena is [here](#)
- ECMS-Inglewood is [here](#)

## V. Study Session

**6:45  
PM**

**A.** Confronting anti-blackness and racism                      Discuss                      Farnaz Golshani-Flechner                      60 m

- DRAFT Equity and Diversity Committee 20/21 plan - Confronting Anti-Blackness and Racism at ECS is [here](#)

## VI. Approve Consent Items A-G

**7:45  
PM**

**A.** Approve previous meeting minutes for August 13, 2020 board meeting                      Approve Minutes                      Jeremiah David                      1 m

Approve minutes for Board of Directors' Meeting on August 13, 2020

**B.** Approve previous meeting minutes for July 16, 2020 board meeting                      Approve Minutes                      Jeremiah David

Approve minutes for Board of Directors' Meeting on July 16, 2020

**C.** Approve previous committee meeting minutes from August 31, 2020 Finance Committee meeting                      Vote                      Jeremiah David

- 8/31/2020 Finance Committee meeting minutes are [here](#)

**D.** Accept May-July 2020 check registers and credit card statements as recommended by Finance Committee                      Vote                      Tracy Bondi

- Check registers: [May 2020](#), [June 2020](#), [July 2020](#)
- Credit card statements: [May 2020](#), [June 2020](#), [July 2020](#)

**E.** Accept June-August 2020 private donations over \$1,000 as recommended by Finance Committee                      Vote                      Julie Vo

- June-August 2020 private donations over \$1,000 is [here](#)

**F.** Approve revised 2020-2021 board and committee calendar                      Vote                      Farnaz Golshani-Flechner

- Revised 2020-2021 board and committee calendar is [here](#)

**G.** Approve revised 2020-2021 committee roster      Vote      Jeremiah David

- Revised 2020-2021 committee roster is [here](#)

**VII. Action Item**

**7:46  
PM**

**A.** Approve 2020-2021 revised budgets as recommended by Finance Committee      Vote      Tracy Bondi / Dorothy Lee

3 m

- 2020-2021 revised budgets for ECHS, ECMS-G, ECMS-I, ECHS 2 attached in Reports/Presentations III.D agenda item

**VIII. Upcoming Dates/Announcements**

**7:49  
PM**

**A.** Next ECS Board Meeting      FYI

1 m

- September 24, 2020 at 5pm

**B.** Next ECS Committee Meetings      FYI

1 m

- Facilities Committee - September 30, 2020 at 4:30pm
- Finance Committee - November 17, 2020 at 8:30am
- Governance Committee - December 1, 2020 at 10:30am
- Audit Committee - December 4, 2020 at 10:30am
- Equity and Diversity Committee - date TBD

**IX. Closing Items**

**7:51  
PM**

**A.** Appreciations      FYI      Anthony Jowid

3 m

**B.** Adjourn Meeting      Vote      Anthony Jowid

1 m