Environmental Charter Schools

Board of Directors' Meeting
By Teleconference/Zoom

Date and Time
Thursday November 19, 2020 at 5:00 PM PST

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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| **II. Presentations from the Floor** | | **5:04 PM** |
| Presentations from the floor on non-agenda Items | 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. Development update FYI Julie Vo 20 m
   • Fundraising YTD update is here

B. EdTec financial review FYI Dorothy Lee 15 m
   • November 2020 financial update slides
   • ECHS-L Income Statement and Cash Flow
   • ECMS-G Income Statement and Cash Flow
   • ECMS-I Income Statement and Cash Flow
   • ECHS-G Income Statement and Cash Flow
   • ECS balance sheet as of 10/31/2020

C. ECHS-Gardena Letter of Intent update FYI Alison Diaz 5 m
D. Menlo 165th refinance update FYI Tracy Bondi 2 m

IV. Study Session 5:46 PM

A. Board Benchmark Chart Discuss Farnaz Golshani-Flechner 45 m
   • 20/21 Board Benchmark Chart is here

V. Approve Consent Items A-H 6:31 PM

A. Approve previous meeting minutes for
   September 10, 2020 board meeting
   Approve Minutes Jeremiah David 1 m
   Approve minutes for Board of Directors' Meeting on September 10, 2020
B. Approve previous meeting minutes for
   September 24, 2020 board meeting
   Approve Minutes Jeremiah David
Approve minutes for Board of Directors’ Meeting on September 24, 2020

C. Accept August-October 2020 check registers and credit card statements as recommended by Finance Committee

- Check registers: August 2020, September 2020, October 2020
- Credit card statements: August 2020, September 2020

D. Accept September-October 2020 private donations over $1,000 as recommended by Finance Committee

- September-October 2020 private donations over $1,000 is here

E. Approve revised 2020-2021 board and committee calendar

- Revised 2020-2021 board and committee calendar is here

F. Approve revised 2020-2021 committee roster

- Revised 2020-2021 committee roster is here

G. Approve SELPA Local Plan Section B, Certification 5 and Participation Agreement for each site

- SELPA Local Plan Section B is here
- ECHS-Lawndale Certification 5 and Participation Agreement
- ECMS-Gardena Certification 5 and Participation Agreement
- ECMS-Inglewood Certification 5 and Participation Agreement
- ECHS #2 Certification 5 and Participation Agreement

H. Approve Finance Committee goals for 2020-2021 as recommended by Finance Committee

**Proposed Goals for 2020-2021**

- Engage board in a critical assessment of the budget as it relates to organizational priorities and goals
- Hold a yearly ECS financial training course
- Ensure school budgets and cash flows are transparent, supportable, and sustainable
- Support ECHS #2’s financial objectives in the facilities development and school startup process
• Collaborate with Menlo Charter Properties to refinance loans at ECMS-Gardena

VI. Action Items  

A. Approve First Interim Financials for each site as recommended by Finance Committee  
   Vote  Tracy Bondi / Dorothy Lee  
   • ECHS-Lawndale is here  
   • ECMS-Gardena is here  
   • ECMS-Inglewood is here

B. Approve Parent Budget Overviews for each site as recommended by Finance Committee  
   Vote  Tracy Bondi / Dorothy Lee  
   • ECHS-Lawndale is here  
   • ECMS-Gardena is here  
   • ECMS-Inglewood is here

C. Approve ECS Conflict of Interest Code  
   Vote  Jeremiah David  
   • Panel Memo is here  
   • Proposed ECS Conflict of Interest Code is here

VII. Upcoming Dates/Announcements  

A. Next ECS Board Meeting  
   FYI  Farnaz Golshani-Flechner  
   • January 26, 2021 at 5pm (proposed)

B. Next ECS Committee Meetings  
   FYI  Farnaz Golshani-Flechner  
   • Governance Committee - December 1, 2020 at 10:30am  
   • Audit Committee - December 4, 2020 at 10:30am  
   • Finance Committee - March 19, 2021 at 8:30am  
   • Facilities Committee - April 28, 2021 at 4:30pm  
   • Equity and Diversity Committee - date TBD

VIII. Closing Items  

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