



# Environmental Charter Schools

## Board of Directors' Meeting

By Teleconference/Zoom

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**Date and Time**

Thursday February 24, 2022 at 5:00 PM PST

**Location**

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/147466498?pwd=MnB5Vkc4aG41OEZ1dDdtcWoxQjV0dz09>

OR

Dial-In: (669) 900-6833, Meeting ID: 147 466 498, Passcode: 1330 43

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

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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, 2024
Dr. Madhu Chatwani.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Mr. Kennedy Hilario.....	3 years June 30, 2023
Lawndale Elementary School District Representative, Rotating Position	

ECS Staff

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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-Lawndale  
Dr. Geneva Matthews, Principal at ECMS-Inglewood  
Mr. Dave Trejo, Principal at ECMS-Gardena  
Dr. Cindy Guardado, Principal at ECHS-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**

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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.

Should a member of the public wish to speak on matters listed on the agenda, they may speak during the Presentations from the Floor section of the agenda. Speakers will be given a maximum of five (5) minutes each to address the Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of ten (10) minutes each).

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### **REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY**

Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this meeting of the Governing Board may request assistance by contacting ECS at (310) 214-3408, option 5.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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**Agenda**

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>5:00 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A. Record Attendance and Guests</b>		Anthony Jowid	1 m
• Travis Collier, Lawndale Elementary School District (LESD) Assistant Superintendent of <a href="#">Educational Services</a> (attending as LESD board representative for this ECS board meeting).			
<b>B. Call the Meeting to Order</b>		Anthony Jowid	1 m
<b>C. Approve the agenda</b>	Vote	Anthony Jowid	1 m
<b>II. Presentations from the Floor</b>			<b>5:03 PM</b>
<b>A. Presentations from the floor on non-agenda Items</b>	FYI		
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<b>B. Presentations from the floor on agenda items</b>	FYI		
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<b>III. Reports/Discussions</b>			<b>5:03 PM</b>

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<b>A. ECS leadership updates</b>	FYI	ECS Directors	1 m
<b>B. Principals updates</b>	FYI	ECS Principals	20 m
• ECHS-L			
• ECHS-G			
<b>C. EdTec financial update</b>	FYI	Dorothy Lee	10 m
• <a href="#">Financial Update</a>			
• <a href="#">ECHS-L Income and Cash Flow Statements</a>			
• <a href="#">ECMS-G Income and Cash Flow Statements</a>			
• <a href="#">ECMS-I Income and Cash Flow Statements</a>			
• <a href="#">ECHS-G Income and Cash Flow Statements</a>			
<b>D. Facilities and EFF refinance update</b>	FYI	Tracy Bondi & Alison Diaz	10 m
<b>E. LCAP mid-year update</b>	FYI	Robert Maxwell & Tracy Bondi & Farnaz Golshani- Flechner	10 m
<b>IV. Study Session</b>			<b>5:54 PM</b>
<b>A. 21/22 Strategic Priorities Benchmark Chart review</b>	FYI	Farnaz Golshani- Flechner	40 m
• <a href="#">21/22 Strategic Priorities Benchmark Chart</a>			
<b>V. Consent Items A-H</b>			<b>6:34 PM</b>
<b>A. Approve minutes for 1/27/2022 ECS Board Meeting</b>	Approve Minutes	Jeremiah David	1 m

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>B.</b> Approve minutes for 2/18/2022 ECS Finance Committee meeting	Approve Minutes	Jeremiah David	

**C.** Approve Board Resolution 2021-2022 #3 - Authorizing Remote Board Meetings

Vote  
Jeremiah David

- [Board Resolution 2021-2022 #3 - Authorizing Remote Board Meetings](#)

**D.** Approve check registers and credit card statements as recommended by Finance Committee

Vote  
Tracy Bondi

**ECS management certification:** ECS management attests to having reviewed and approved the individual line items on the attached check registers and credit card statements in accordance with current ECS Financial Policies.

- Check registers: [November 2021](#), [December 2021](#)
- Credit card statements: [November 2021](#), [December 2021](#)

**E.** Approve private donations over \$1,000 as recommended by Finance Committee

Vote  
Tracy Bondi

- [List of private donations over \\$1,000](#)

**F.** Approve 2021-2022 ECHS-G ESSER III Funds Plan as recommended by Finance Committee

Vote  
Tracy Bondi

- [21/22 ECHS-G ESSER III Funds Plan](#)

**G.** Approve revised ECMS-I Academic Calendar 2021-2022

Vote  
Danielle Kelsick

- [ECMS-I Academic Calendar 2021-2022](#)
  - Changed scheduled minimum day from 1/28/2022 to 2/4/2022

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
◦ No impact to instructional days or minutes			
<b>H. Approve updated Safe Schools Plan for all sites</b>	Vote	Jeremiah David	
Safe Schools Plans			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">ECHS-Lawndale</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">ECMS-Gardena</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">ECMS-Inglewood</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">ECHS-Gardena</a></li> </ul>			

**VI. Action Item**

**6:35 PM**

<b>A. Approve CL500 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators</b>	Vote	Sarah Jamieson	3 m
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- [CL500 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators](#)

<b>B. Approve ECS Resolutions for 2022 Financing as recommended by Finance Committee</b>	Vote	Tracy Bondi & Alison Diaz	5 m
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- [ECS Resolutions for 2022 Financing](#)

**VII. Upcoming Dates/Announcements**

**6:43 PM**

<b>A. Next ECS Board Meeting</b>	FYI	Farnaz Golshani-Flechner	1 m
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- March 17, 2022 at 5pm (virtual board meeting)

<b>B. Next ECS Committee Meetings</b>	FYI	Farnaz Golshani-Flechner	1 m
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- Finance Committee - March 11, 2022 at 8:30am
- Facilities Committee - April 27, 2022 at 4:30pm

**Purpose    Presenter    Time**

• Governance Committee - May 17, 2022 at 10:30am

<b>C. Appreciations</b>	Discuss	All Attendees	3 m
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**VIII. Closing Items** **6:48 PM**

<b>A. Adjourn Meeting</b>	Vote	Anthony Jowid	1 m
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