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Education for Change Public Schools

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday February 24, 2022 at 4:30 PM

Location

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Directors Present

D. Grant (remote), L. Weston (remote), M. Barr (remote), N. Driver (remote), R. Leyva (remote), V. Almendarez (remote)

Directors Absent

C. Ryan, E. Camp, L. Gaines

Guests Present

E. Peterson (remote), K. Andrews (remote), L. Adam (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

N. Driver called a meeting of the board of directors of Education for Change Public Schools to order on Thursday Feb 24, 2022 at 4:32 PM.

C. Emergency Declaration Notice

L. Weston made a motion to acknowledge the Emergency Declaration notice.
M. Barr seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Public Comments

No public comments at this time.

E. Adopt the Agenda

L. Weston made a motion to adopt the agenda.
R. Leyva seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Coalition for Education for Change Updates

A. Discussion with CEFC Representative

No update at this time.

III. Board Committee Updates

A.

Family Leadership Council

V. Almendarez shared they went over COVID things that they previously talked about. L. Adam shared that they discussed all the changes for COVID recently.

B. Executive Committee

No update at this time.

C. Finance Committee

Focused on getting audit completed and they will dive into that later in the agenda.

D. Student Outcomes Committee

Met on Feb. 10th and received a staffing and academic update. EFC staff have completed/responded to intent to return form for the next year. 74% of staff intent to return and 16% are undecided. All these details and more can be found in their Board On Track agenda documents.

Home office and site instructional leaders have been covering classes lately. There has been a high COVID positivity rate among staff which has impacted attendance and staffing. High absentee rates have impacted curriculum pacing. Priorities and next steps are continuing with GLAD trainings. Names foundational literacy as a focus. Helping teachers analyze student work and reengagement plans with Math & ELA. [Can find additional details here.](#)

IV. Business

A. Approve minutes from 1.27.22 meeting

M. Barr made a motion to approve the minutes from Full Board Meeting on 01-27-22.

L. Weston seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Consent Items

LCAP executive summary can be found in the agenda. E. Peterson shared that all of the different funds under the LCAP will focus on keeping schools open and priorities in focus. In each report it mentions all the successful elements we have had to put into place and continued through COVID and current challenges. Staffing has been a continual challenge.

M. Barr made a motion to approve LCAP docs.

R. Leyva seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

V. Action Items

A. Approval of Annual Audit

L. Weston made a motion to approval of annual audit.

R. Leyva seconded the motion.

M. Barr gave a recap on how audits work for Charter schools. The deadline was extended until end of January and there was an extension requested and it was granted until Feb. 28th. There was a material weakness found this year. There were 25 adjustments that needed to be made after submission. There is a meeting

on Tuesday to address those items and make sure it will not happen again within the audit process.

Numbers presented in audit report are accurate. Finance committee met earlier today and voted to approve and bring to the larger board to be approved.

M. Barr has a desire to work closely with the auditors to look over the solution.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Adoption of IEE Policy

M. Barr made a motion to approve the IEE policy.

D. Grant seconded the motion.

IEE policy is a policy that was put together by the SELPA for charters to guide and make sure EFC is following all Special Education laws. This policy is to make everyone's rights very clear when it comes time to have an independent evaluation. It is making all families aware of their rights and responsibilities.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Ratification of EFC/CEFC CEP Substitute Side Letter

V. Almendarez made a motion to approve the ratification.

D. Grant seconded the motion.

Announced there has been an agreement met with bargaining team on the CEP Substitute. A CEP Sub is someone that is designated to one particular school to help where they can. The CEP Sub will now cross over to have a salary, step-up pay, and have potential to become regular teachers in our schools.

Public comment on how there has been excitement on coming to this agreement and how the CEP subs have been such valuable members and they are looking forward to having this side letter agreed upon. Only final negotiations over ESS agreement are left.

R. Leyva also reflected on one of the core values of EFC of interdependence and thanked all parties who have been involved in the process.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approve Sunshine Proposal on Collective Bargaining Agreement Reopener Negotiations

L. Weston made a motion to approve the Sunshine Proposal on Collective Bargaining Agreement Reopener Negotiations.

V. Almendarez seconded the motion.

Two sunshine proposals that outline which articles will be re-opened as a part of the negotiations. Each part was able to choose 2 articles each to be re-opened.

CEFC will re-open articles based on compensation, benefits, and evaluations and union rights.

EFC will propose to re-open leaves of absence and site date reconsiderations.

Once they are approved then calendars are made to start planning out the re-bargaining process.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

M. Barr made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

R. Leyva seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
K. Andrews

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