



Meeting Minutes
Meeting of the Envision Board of Directors
Thursday, September 28th, 2023

The California Governor's Executive Order Number N-29-20 has suspended some provisions in the Brown Act and allows meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic to occur telephonically as well as in person.

I. Preliminary

A. Call to Order

- Board Chair Mark Daoust called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

B. Roll Call

- Attendees: Mark Daoust, Rhonnel Sotelo, Kaleb Lawson, Jillian Juman, Kyle Castillo, Shurti Sehra, Tara Thomas
- Not present: Rob Vassel
- Others Present: Sele Nadel-Hayes, Royce Conner, Elizabeth Choi, Elizabeth Raji-Greig, Justin Wells

C. Adopt the Agenda

- Motion: Rhonnel Sotelo
- Seconded: Tara Thomas
- Approved by voice vote: Yes 6 No 0

II. Public Comment/Announcements

A. None

III. Consent Agenda at 4:44 pm

- A. Ratification of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of Executive Committee, [August 9, 2023](#)
- a. Motion: Kaleb
 - b. Seconded: Michelle
 - c. Approved by voice vote: Yes 8 No 0

- B. [Confirmation of receipt of Report to the Envision Education Board of Directors Regarding Fingerprinting and Background Clearance Compliance 2023-24](#)

IV. Board and CEO Comments at 4:47 pm

- Jillian and Mark welcomes the team and gives the board a quick opportunity for introductions. Mark describes the process of searching for board candidates.

V. Action Items at 4:49 pm

A. [Approval of the Declaration of Need \(DON\)](#)

- Motion: Rhonnel Sotelo
- Seconded: Jillian Juman
- Approved by voice vote: Yes 8 No 0

B. [Approve of Variable Term Waivers for Credentials for teachers](#)

- Motion: Tara Thomas
- Seconded: Shruti Sehra
- Approved by voice vote: Yes 8 No 0

C. [Approval of Board Resolution and FY2023 Education Protection Account \(EPA\) Expenditures](#)

1. Motion: Jillian Juman
2. Seconded: Mark Daoust
3. Approved by voice vote: Yes 8 No 0

D. [Approval of Board Resolution concerning FY2023 Maintenance of Effort Calculation](#)

1. Motion: Rhonnel Sotelo
2. Seconded: Mark Daoust
3. Approved by voice vote: Yes 8 No 0

VI. Updates at 5:13 pm

A. Governance

1. Rhonnel provides an update of the governance committee. Committee meets regularly throughout the year and has made progress on recruitment.
2. Board members discuss updates particularly around recruitment, location, the composite of the board skillset and implications.

B. [Finance at 5:47 pm](#)

1. Sele Nadel-Hayes, COO, provided a finance update related to current unaudited financials, 2024 state budget updates, banking relationships
2. FY2024 budget update included budget changes to COLA, Arts, Music, & Instructional Materials Discretionary Block Grant and earning Recovery Emergency Block Grant. As well as our banking relationship with Umpqua.

3. Additionally, there were several statutory and regulatory updates, including implementation of the Expanded Learning Opportunity Program for students through grade 8 and one-year extensions to charter renewals

VII. [2023 - 2024 Data Exploration](#) at 6:02 pm

- A. Jillian explained to the Board that they've been exploring the data to try to better road map the future 7 to 10 years down the road.
- B. Board members were placed in breakout sessions in order to organically develop, process, visualize and discuss how the strengths and weaknesses that may be present now show up in the goals that have been laid out for the year.

VIII. [Strategy Discussion](#) at 6:25 pm

- A. The board dived deeper into conversation with a debrief about looking at strengths, wonderings, and areas for growth opportunities.

IX. Closed Session at 6:43 pm

- A. Conference with Real Property Negotiations (Gov Code section 54954.5 subdivision (b) and 54956.8)
 1. Property: 1515 Webster Street, Oakland, CA 94160
 2. Agency Negotiator: Sele Nadel-Hayes
 3. Negotiations with: Colliers-Global Commercial Real Estate

X. Closed Session Ended at 6:57 pm

XI. Adjournment: Board Chair Mark Daoust adjourned the board meeting at 7:22 pm