

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EDISON-BETHUNE CHARTER ACADEMY**

1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706

March 30, 2023 – 5:30pm

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO
THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS**

The Edison-Bethune Charter Academy (“EBCA”) welcomes your participation at the EBCA Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the EBCA in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our EBCA. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. “Request to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.” “Oral Communications” is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
3. You may also complete a “Request to Speak” form to address the Board on Agenda items. With regard to such agenda items, you may specify that agenda item on your “Request to Speak” form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
4. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
5. Any public records relating to an agenda item for an open session of the Board which are distributed to all, or a majority of all, of the Board members shall be available for public inspection at 1616 S Fruit Ave, Fresno, CA 93706 or email: info@myebca.com

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, the Edison-Bethune Charter Academy may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order participate in Board meetings are invited to contact the Executive Director’s office in person or by calling (559) 457-2530. Please contact EBCA at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to a regular meeting or as early as possible prior to a special meeting to allow EBCA sufficient time to arrange for the provision of such auxiliary aids and services.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by the Board Chair at 5:35 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Jere Runciman	<u>X</u>	_____
Keisha Shabazz	<u>X</u>	_____
Frances Davis	<u>X</u>	_____
Brenda Paxton	<u>X</u>	_____
Gretchen Saldana	_____	<u>X</u>
David Criner	_____	<u>X</u>
Open	_____	_____

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Jere asks for a motion for the Adoption of Agenda.... Frances makes a motion for the Adoption of Agenda.... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion- none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Yes DC-AB
Motion Carried

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS: Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken due to California’s public meeting laws. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

The Board may not have complete information available to answer questions and may refer specific concerns to the Executive Director for attention. The Board requests that any person wishing to make complaints against EBCA or EBCA employees file the appropriate complaint form prior to this meeting. We appreciate your input and EBCA will respond to your complaint in accordance with our complaint policies and procedures.

B. For Information:

This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the previous Board meeting. No action will be taken as the report is purely for informational purposes.

Report from Executive Director/Principal – Mr. Garcia

The Executive Director will update the Board on current events on campus, including but not limited to the events and important information around campus.

4th Grade Teacher Lead – Fernando Calvillo – Presented to the board on their field trip on February 23, 2023 – to Colonel Allensworth State Historic Park.

Key Points for the trip:

- Scheduled in February in honor of Black History Month
- Showed the students a video prior to prepare them on the significance of this historical park.

Tania Sanchez – School Counselor – Presented to the board the pictures of the students at the field trip that showed the students at the library, school, butcher, and using a wash board – to show the students what it would be like during that time period.

Tania Sanchez – Presented about her scheduled plans for College and Career Month in April and the events such as Career Day on April 25th.

Mr. Garcia – Reported on Alice Training held on March 6th. He is working on taking the training to the classroom and plans on working with the staff on preparing for evacuation practice.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

The Curriculum and Instruction Director will update the Board regarding student assessments and curriculum.

State Testing – ELPAC – Mid April – currently working on training for the staff issuing the test. SBAC – May – teachers are working on getting all their students prepared.

Report from Technology Director – Mr. Lek – ABSENT – NO Report

The Technology Director will update the Board regarding technology on campus.

C. Public Hearing:

The Charter School makes available for public comments its Initial Proposals for bargaining a collective bargaining agreement with the Fresno Teachers Association. FTA makes available for public comment its Initial Proposals regarding the same.

Open for Public Comment – 5:50 pm

Closed Public Comment – 5:51 pm

V. **CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The director recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

- A. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting of February 23, 2023
- B. Approval of Warrant Report and Financial Report for February 2023.
- C. Approval of the Payroll Registers for January and February 2023.
- D. New Hires – Michael Moorehead (Music Teacher), Perlita Castro and Evelyn Rincon (Resident Substitutes)

Jere asks for a motion to for the approval of the consent agenda... Keisha makes the motion to approve the consent agenda ... Frances seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Yes DC-AB
Motion Carried

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Adoption of Initial Proposals from Edison Bethune Charter Academy (EBCA) bargaining for reopening (2023-24) of the current collective bargaining agreement with Fresno Teachers Association (FTA).

Jere asks for a motion to for the approval of EBCA’s Initial Proposals to FTA... Keisha makes the motion to approve EBCA’s Initial Proposals to FTA ... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed.

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Yes DC-AB
Motion Carried

- B. Adoption of Initial Proposals from FTA bargaining for reopening (2023-24) of the current bargaining agreement with EBCA.

Jere asks for a motion to for the approval of EBCA’s Initial Proposals to FTA... Brenda makes the motion to approve EBCA’s Initial Proposals to FTA ... Frances seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed.

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Yes DC-AB
Motion Carried

- C. Approval of Softball Field Renovations – Extended Learning Program Funding

Jere asks for a motion to for the approval of Softball Field Renovations – Extended Learning Program Funding... Frances makes the motion to approve Softball Field Renovations – Extended Learning Program Funding... Keisha seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed.

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Abstain DC-AB
Motion Carried

- D. Custodial Equipment (Updated – to only include the KaiVac System)
 - a. KaiVac Restroom Cleaning System – 2 systems
 - ~~b. Motor Scubber M3L~~
 - ~~c. Orbot Floor Machine~~

Jere asks for a motion to for the approval of purchase Custodial Equipment – KaiVac Restroom Cleaning System – 2 systems ... Frances makes the motion to approve of purchase Custodial Equipment – KaiVac Restroom Cleaning System – 2 systems... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed.

Vote FD-Yes GS-AB JR-Yes KS-Yes BP-Yes DC-AB
Motion Carried

VII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.

IX. NEXT MEETING: April 27, 2023