

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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

June 1, 2023 – 5:30pm - RESCHEDULED

**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 5:30 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Jere Runciman	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Keisha Shabazz	<u> </u>	<u> X </u>
Frances Davis	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Brenda Paxton	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Gretchen Saldana	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
David Criner (5:35pm)	<u> X </u>	<u> </u>
Open	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

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

E. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE LOCAL CONTROL ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP) – Opened at 5:32pm and Closed at 5:33 pm (No comments)

F. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE DRAFT 2023-24 BUDGET (following the LCAP HEARING). – Opened at 5:34pm and Closed at 5:35 pm (No comments)

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.

A. 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.

Mr. Garcia – pointed out how busy we are in this last week of school – everyone is prepared for the end of school and beginning of summer school. He updated the board on a report he gave to the staff about “Bubble Kids” – a chart related to kids and their last normal year – for example 6th grade – their last “normal” school year was in 2nd grade. How as a staff that we need to be aware that if normal students are struggling, then how much more our student who have special needs need more interventions.

Mr. Golden-Lund was invited to report to the board regarding Special Education numbers. He reported about the number of students with IEP’s in RSP and in Speech.

In the report, Mr. Garcia and Mr. Golden-Lund presented the need for another RSP teacher to help provide additional services to our Special Education students, and to help identify students who may not have been identified. We will be using new tools, such as the Panorama MST system (if approved) to identify students who may have been missed or at least to offer additional services to students as needed. We will be bringing additional training about IEP and how to read the official document in order to make sure we are providing required services.

Mr. Garcia informed the board that we will be looking for another vendor to provide Speech services – whether it is to hire a Full-Time employee or contract with another vendor to provide in person services to our students.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

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

Mr. Sprattling was not in attendance – but wanted the Board to know that we are finished with testing and we have 1 student to finish to make it to our 100% participation rate.

Report from Technology Director – Mr. Lek

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

Mr. Lek reported that all testing was handled smoothly with technology. We recently did a phishing campaign, and will have professional development to train

staff on Ransom ware and what supports we have in place to protect us.

III. 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 April 27, 2023
- B. Approval of Warrant Report for April 2023.
- C. Approval of the Payroll Registers for April 2023.

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

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

VII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Board Calendar – 2023-24 (Day of the Week and Time) – Tabled to June 15th Meeting – to also talk about having 5 members to the board.
- B. Proposal to Hire a 2nd RSP/Special Education Teacher
Jere asks for a motion to for the approval to Hire a 2nd RSP/Special Education Teacher ... Gretchen makes the motion to Hire a 2nd RSP/Special Education Teacher ... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

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

- C. Proposal to Hire an Alternative to Suspension Teacher
Discussion – this is related to identified need in the LCAP related to our Dashboard indicators
Jere asks for a motion to for the to Hire an Alternative to Suspension Teacher ... Gretchen makes the motion to Hire an Alternative to Suspension Teacher... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

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

- D. Approval of Panorama for Student Success Platform Proposal
Jere asks for a motion to for the to Approval of Panorama for Student Success Platform Proposal ... Gretchen makes the motion to Approve of Panorama for

Student Success Platform Proposal... Brenda seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed

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

VIII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Active Shooter Progress – We continue to work through training our staff and students about what to do in an emergency. The Board was pleased with the progress, and made several suggestions related to training in an assembly setting, and to bring additional trainers to help train staff and students.
- B. Kindergarten and 6th Grade Promotion – June 7th and June 8th
Mr. Garcia added that we will be having the HOPES Awards on June 6th.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

X. NEXT MEETING: June 15, 2023