

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

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

OCTOBER 26, 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 5:30 PM

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B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Jere Runciman	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Frances Davis	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>
Gretchen Saldana	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>
Keisha Shabazz	<u> </u>	<u> x </u>
Brenda Paxton	<u> x </u>	<u> </u>

C. FLAG SALUTE

D. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

E. Jere asks for a motion to approve the agenda as presented...Frances make motion to approve to adopt the agenda... Brenda seconds the motion... request for discussion- none needed.

Vote FD- Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-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.

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 reported on October activities that took places. Held parent conference week. Held parents meetings with the intent to combine meetings such as PAC, ELAC on monthly basis. We usually get same few parents. They voted to combine meeting. We have agendas and sign in sheets to show compliance. We will hold our annual Title I meeting next week. Suggestion was made perhaps raffle of item can entice parents to attend. Current week has been filled with Red Ribbon week activities. We will hold our annual Red Ribbon Rally with guest in attendance. Pastor Criner will give a message to our Kids.

Report from Curriculum and Instruction Director – Mr. Sprattling

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

Mr. Sprattling reports states scores are still trickling in. It will take some time to recover back to pre-COVID numbers. Our school wide attendance numbers are showing improvement. Our focus is to measure growth and encourage growth from year to year. A measure to look at could be students that attend summer school. We will offer a fall and winter academy this year.

Report from Technology Director – Mr. Lek

The Technology Director will update the Board regarding technology on campus. Mr. Leks reports and updates us on fiber optic project. Infinity did a walk through will take us to next steps of putting together a bid. FUSD will review then it will be sent out to bid. This board will make the decision on awarding the bid.

IV. 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 September 28, 2023
 - B. Approval of Warrant Report for September 2023
 - C. Approval of the Payroll Registers for September 2023.
 - D. Resignation – Brenda Myers – Resident Substitute
 - E. New Hire – Di’Janae Gholston – Noon Time Assistant, Amanda Grisby – After School Program Paraprofessional
- Jere ask for a motion for approval of the consent agenda...FD make the motion to approve consent agenda as presented...BP seconds the motion...request for discussion-none needed
Vote FD-Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-AB
Motion carried.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Approval of Board Policy – BP-23 – Time and Effort Policy
Mr. Sprattling present time effort policy. Jere ask for a motion to approve the Time and Effort Policy. FD makes motion to approve the time and effort policy BP seconds, Discussion- It was clarified that this is not a new practice we currently need to document staff time and effort. This is a compliant issue. Vote-FD-Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-AB, Motion carried.
- B. Approval of Board Policy – BP-24 – English Learner Policy
Mr. Sprattling presents the English Learner Policy...Jere ask for a motion to approve the English Learner Policy... BP makes the Motion to approve the English Learner Policy...FD seconds the motion...Discussion-none needed Vote FD-Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-AB Motion carried
- C. Approval 2022-23 LCAP – Adjusted after FCOE review
Jere ask for a motion to approved LCAP adjustment after county review...BP make motion to approve LCAP Adjustments...FD seconds the motion... Discussion none needed. Vote-FD-Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-AB, Motion carried
- D. Approval of Board Policy – BP-25 – Parent and Family Engagement Policy
This policy was taken for review to our parent meeting to provide input earlier this week. Jere ask for a motion to approve the Parent and Family Engagement Policy...BP makes motion to approve the Parent and Family Engagement policy as presented...FD seconds the motion, Discussion -none needed Vote-FD-Yes, BP-Yes, JR-Yes, GS-AB, KS-AB Motion carried

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION

- A. None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

VIII. NEXT MEETING: November 16, 2023