

APPROVED MINUTES
FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

August 2, 2012

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools was held on Thursday, August 2nd, 2012, at 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School: A Fenton Charter Public School at 1022 North Van Ness, Los Angeles, CA 90038.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order – Chairperson of the Board – Joe Lucente

After introducing the members of the Board of Directors, the leadership and administrative teams of the Fenton Charter Public Schools, and honored guests, the Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 4:50 p.m. by Chair Lucente.

B. Roll Call – Secretaries of the Board – Angie Castellana Ferri or Cecilia Quijano

Secretary Cecilia Quijano called the roll.

Board Members Present

Gary Borden, *Community Representative*
Cile Borman, *Community Representative*
Jacqueline Elliot, *Community Representative*
Gabriela Hernandez, *Parent Representative*
Lilly T. Hernandez, *Parent Representative*
Yvette King-Berg, *Community Representative*
Joe Lucente, *Community Representative*
Donald Parker, *Community Representative*
Marcella Solorio, *Parent Representative*
Walter Wallace, *Community Representative*

Board Members Absent

Juliana Ayala, *Parent Representative*

C. Flag Salute – Chair Lucente

Chair Lucente led the Board and the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. Additions/Corrections to the Agenda – Chair Lucente

There were no additions or corrections to the addenda.

E. Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Donald Parker and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO), the minutes of the June 7, 2012 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors were approved.

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Presentations from the Public – Chair Lucente

Jose Cole-Gutierrez, Director of the Los Angeles Unified School District's Charter Schools Division, addressed the Board sharing that he looked forward to a continued positive, transparent and collaborative relationship with the Fenton Charter Public Schools as the organization expands to include Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

B. Committee/Council Reports

Minutes of all meetings held by any committee and/or council were sent to the Board Members prior to this meeting.

There were no further reports by committees/councils.

Chair Lucente asked for clarification regarding the status of the standards-based progress reports. Director Richard Parra reported that the progress reports will be implemented this school year, but will not be processed through the new database, *Illuminate*, for at the least the first reporting period.

C. Treasurer/CFO's Report -

Paul Khoury, Treasurer and CFO, presented updated cash flow projections and information on state deferrals, which total \$4 million for the three FCPS schools (from a budget of over \$20 million).

D. Directors' Reports -

Fenton Primary Center - Richard Parra, Director, reported.

Fenton Avenue Charter School – Michelle Rappino, Director, reported.

Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School – Vahe Markarian, Director of Operations, and David Riddick, Director of Instruction/Managing Director, reported.

E. Executive Director's Report -

Fenton Charter Public Schools – Irene Sumida, Executive Director, reported.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. Recommendation for the approval of the Business Services Contracts between the Los Angeles County Office of Education and Fenton Avenue Charter School, Fenton Primary Center and Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

B. Recommendation for the approval of Certification of Signatures of personnel and/or members of the governing board authorized to sign orders for salary or commercial payments, notices of employment, and contracts for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Fenton Primary Center and Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

C. Recommendation for the approval and certification of the Consolidated Applications (ConApp) of Fenton Avenue Charter School, Fenton Primary Center and Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

On **MOTION** of Jacqueline Elliot, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the Consent Calendar was approved as presented.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. Recommendation for approval of resolution recognizing council/committee structure and implementation of participatory governance system.

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Gabriela Hernandez and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the yearly resolution recognizing council/committee structure and the implementation of a participatory governance system was approved.

B. Recommendation for approval of revision to bylaws of the Board of Directors the Fenton Charter Public Schools.

On **MOTION** of Gary Borden, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the recommended revision to the bylaws of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools was approved.

C. Recommendation for approval of final merger agreement for Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School to join the Fenton Charter Public Schools.

On **MOTION** of Donald Parker, **SECONDED** by Jacqueline Elliot and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the final merger agreement for Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School to join the Fenton Charter Public Schools was approved.

D. Recommendation for approval of final merger agreement for Fenton Avenue Charter School to join the Fenton Charter Public Schools.

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Gary Borden and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the final merger agreement for Fenton Avenue Charter School to join the Fenton Charter Public Schools was approved.

E. Recommendation to request loan from Excellent Education Development (ExED) to support cash flow position of Fenton Primary Center through close of escrow for property located at 11351 Dronfield Avenue, Pacoima, CA 91331.

On **MOTION** of Gary Borden, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the recommendation to request a loan from Excellent Education Development (ExED) to support the cash flow position of Fenton Primary Center through the close of escrow for property located at 11351 Dronfield Avenue, Pacoima, CA 91331 was approved.

F. Recommendation for approval of draft of E-Rate/Technology Plan for Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

On **MOTION** of Donald Parker, **SECONDED** by Jacqueline Elliot and **CARRIED** by a vote of 10 (YES) and 0 (NO) the draft of the E-Rate/Technology Plan for Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School was approved.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools will be held on September 6, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in the studio of Fenton Avenue Charter School.

Respectfully submitted:

Angie Castellana Ferri
Secretary of the Board