



## **Board Meeting Minutes**

Escuela Éxitos  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

**Meeting Date:** November 17, 2021

**Meeting Time:** 4:30 p.m.

**Meeting Location:** Escuela Éxitos and Google Meet

**Board Members Present:** Andrea, Nate, Sam, Angie

**Board Members Absent:** Ingris

**School Officials Present:** Luis

**Other Present:** None

### **1. Call to Order**

The motion to open the meeting was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries and Sam opens the meeting at 4:41PM.

### **2. Approve Agenda**

The motion to move the agenda was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries.

### **3. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes**

The motion to approve the October Minutes was moved by Nate and seconded by Sam. The motion carries.

### **4. Introduction of New Parent Board Member Candidate: Angela (Angie) Peña**

Angie is a bilingual educator who lives in Robbinsdale. Angie's daughter is enrolled in 6th Grade at EE. Prior to expressing interest in joining the board, Angie took the initiative to enroll enough 6th graders at EE for opening with a 6th grade classroom to be viable.

The motion to approve Angela (Angie) Peña as the Parent Representative on the Board was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries.

### **5. Approve New Hires / Accept Resignation**

New Hires:

- Lisa Hill - Teacher
- Nicholas Morris - Custodian

The motion to approve the new hires was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries.

Resignation:

Luis spoke of the teacher who resigned and Sam shared the statistics recently featured on [KSTP](#) regarding the statewide rise in teacher resignations. Luis and Sam spoke of the significance of the teacher shortage and what it will mean for EE.

The motion to accept the resignation of the SPED Teacher was moved by Andrea and seconded by Nate. The motion carries.

## **6. Budget and Financial Update - Accept \$5,000 Donation from the Wilcox Family**

The motion to accept the \$5,000 donation from the Wilcox Family was moved by Nate and seconded by Angie. The motion carries.

Luis presented the Financial Statement and spoke of lower-than-projected enrollment. Current enrollment is at 115 students and enrollment will soon reach 119 students. Still, EE is currently operating at a deficit which needs to be addressed. Since recruiting a relatively small number of students would put EE back into the positive, right now the Board's focus is on fixing the budget by recruiting additional students.

The motion to approve the financial update was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries.

## **7. Updates**

- Enrollment
  - Discussed in Item #6
- Building
  - There was a leak of sewage in the basement. In addition, rainwater is flooding into the basement.
  - Luis is evaluating his options.
  - Luis is also evaluating his options for snow removal.
- Testing
  - NWEA has been completed in English and Spanish K-6
- Transportation
  - Luis expresses the transportation situation has been positive overall
  - One of the buses continues to arrive late
- Board Training

- Board training is mandatory for all members
- IOwA MDE
  - Luis and Sam confirmed with MDE that Luis is the IOwA for EE
- School Health / Attendance
  - Luis spoke of EE's message surrounding COVID-19
  - Luis and Board Members spoke of non-COVID illnesses being spread around the metro

## **8. New Business**

No new business

## **9. Close of Meeting**

The motion to close the meeting was moved by Nate and seconded by Andrea. The motion carries. The meeting was adjourned by Sam at 6:08.