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Charter School 2

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June 3, 2026

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Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Meeting convened at: 10:08 a.m.

1. Chairperson's Message – 3 minutes
2. Roll Call – 2 minutes
 - a. Board Members present: Leopolda Silvera, Liz Perez, Monte Joffee, Victor Motta,
 - b. Board members absent: Chester Hicks, Rachel Mandel
 - c. Others present: Stacey Gauthier, Anahi Rafael, Daniel Fanelli, Rashid Johnson, Everett Boyd, Desi Waters.
3. Approval of Last Month's Minutes – 5 minutes
 - a. Approved by acclamation
4. Standing Committee Reports (if applicable) – 10 minutes
 - a. Calendar update - questions about timing. July 15 and August 12 as summer meeting dates. Will do separate meetings for Ren1 and Ren2. Will distribute full calendar later.
5. School Management Team Report – 10 minutes
 - a. Rashid: Happy Birthday, Victor!
 - b. Highlight: Stacey and Rashid co-facilitated a CSG meeting on May 20 via Zoom. Meeting was translated into Spanish, five parents joined. Spent time talking to Paola, who has two students at Ren2. Shared her love of the school, said learning is incredible, son is in the afterschool tutoring program, didn't want to go at first but now loves the program. Doesn't want kids eating in the classroom but in the cafeteria--this will be changed for next year. Wants students to move around a little more. She wanted her children to go to various specials classrooms (Mandarin, music) rather than a push-in. Stacey: exploring an off-site space for student recreation. Want to make sure student councils also attend CSG meetings next year. Optional for staff but will push for

teachers from each cluster to attend. Would like to have at least 2-3 meetings throughout the year to keep everyone informed.

- c. Teaching and Learning: testing has tapered down. ELT/SMT spent 1-4 p.m. yesterday refining outcome focus goals and assessment calendar for both schools for next year, as well as working on literacy program for both schools. Planning to meet again next week. Submitting literacy draft on June 22. Late July professional development at Columbia University.
 - d. Two weeks ago: mock Regents, all teachers trained to be proctors. In the midst of creating a better room/proctor schedule with prep times and lunches for teachers. Plan to heavily monitor Regents.
 - e. Little Sizzle and MS Rensizzle continuing this week. 4th and 5th kicking off week of hands-on learning with three incredible field trips--slime museum, color factory, Art Tech House and Museum of the Moving Image. MS has the theme of Imagination in Action. Priority is exploration in learning; students self-selected their own experiences based on their own interests.
 - f. June 9 Lavinia PD. Rachel is returning for the last coaching session, classroom observations with SMT, along with an end-of-year reflection meeting to talk about what went well and what needs to be improved for next year.
 - g. Student enrolment the same (918 students total)
 - h. Hiring update from Taryn: Taryn and Noel have screened certified, highly-qualified candidates' resumes, 20+ demos have been scheduled for this month. Vacancies: music, art, college and career office (2). Have hired three new TFA candidates who will be starting in September, hired a new dean, and the kitchen is fully staffed.
6. Board Members' New Business – 10 minutes
- a. Shout-out to Atiba, Jessica and Taryn; have been working on revamping benefits system (moving to ADP). Because of savings can give more money back to staff in terms of family coverage, life insurance, etc. Will be preliminary meetings to explain this to staff. Also have 401K program that allows the Secure Act to be implemented (student loan payments to 401K).
 - b. Good calendar for next year.
 - c. Getting a garden! Started through after school program. Students think the earthworms are cool. There will be an elective class as well.
 - d. Board members will be getting financial disclosure forms soon. They will need to be sent to Anahi.
7. Public Speaking – TBD
8. Adjournment of Public Meeting
- a. Approved by acclamation