

**Esperanza Cyber Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
4261 N. 5th Street, Philadelphia PA 19140  
Thursday, June 13, 2024**

**Board Members Present:** Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

**Board Members Absent:** Rev. Luis Cortes

Staff/Management Present: Mr. Daniel Schroeder, Rev. Danny Cortes, Dr. Heather High-Kennedy, Ms. Jasmina Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh, Mrs. Melissa Molina, Mrs. Morgan Baker, Mr. Matt Lentz, Dr. Sheila Gonzalez, Ms. Sheilemarie Carrion, Ms. Courtney Walton, Artemio Rodriguez.

## **A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

Procedural: 1. Call to Order

Madam Chair Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez called the meeting order at 3:32 PM

Information: 2. Notification of Recording

Information: 3. Introductions

Courtney Walton introduced herself. Safety Coordinator and Ops. Specialist

Procedural: 4. Executive Session Announcement

An Executive session was held at the end of the Board agenda to review the School Safety and Security recommendations and Plan.

## **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action, Minutes: 1. Approval of Minutes (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Rev. Magaly Martinez Recommended the Board approve the Minutes of the April 25, 2024, and the May 23, 2024 Board Meeting as presented.

Motion by Judy Torres-Lynch, second by Carmen Rocha.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## **C. FINANCE**

Action: 1. Monthly Financial Statements (Artemio Rodriguez)

Mr. Artemio Rodriguez and Dr. Marsh presented the April 2024 financial reports and general ledger.

Rev. Magaly Martinez recommended the Board approve the April 2024 Financial Report and General Ledger as presented.

Motion by Carmen Rocha, second by Carmen Infante.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## **D. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

Information: 1. K-12 (Ivan Estevez)

Mr. Ivan Estevez presented and highlighted during the 2023-24 school year, ECCS systematically tracked student engagement through classroom walkthroughs and observations.

**Information: 2. Special Education (Dr. Jon Marsh)**

In the absence of Mr. Dan Cote, Dr. Jon Marsh provided a brief overview of the allocation of compensatory educational funds through settlement agreements from the 2020-21 school year to the current school year.

**Information: 3. Curriculum Development (Dr. Heather High-Kennedy)**

Dr. Heather High-Kennedy briefed the Board on the successes of the 9th Grade Academy. She highlighted several key areas where the program performed exceptionally well, contributing positively to student outcomes and engagement. Dr. High-Kennedy also briefed the Board on the CTE/Vocational development for 2024-25, detailing the curriculum, which includes programs focused on employable skills like entrepreneurship, graphic design, and medical professional careers. She mentioned high student interest from a questionnaire, with introductory courses starting in the fall for ninth graders.

Mrs. Melissa Molina briefed the Board on the ECCS graduation, noting it as the largest class to date.

**Information 4. Instructional Supports (Mike Hopkins)**

Mr. Mike Hopkins briefed the Board on their attendance to the Chester County Intermediate Unit graduation for the third year. Ms. Medina, State Director of the Pennsylvania Migrant Education Program, acknowledged ECCS for aiding six migrant students in graduating, crediting the support and specialized schedule provided by the ELD and SET departments.

**Information: 5. Tutoring Report (Ivan Estevez)**

Mr. Ivan Estevez reported that from September to May of the 2023-24 school year, ECCS provided 1,033 in-house tutoring sessions, serving 532 students. Additionally, 380 sessions were offered through Tutor.com, serving 118 students. Both tutoring options will continue to support students in the next school year.

**Information: 6. SET (Sheileemarie Carrion)**

Mrs. Sheileemarie Carrion informed the Board that as of May 29, 2024, the SET department received 885 referrals, an increase from 720 referrals in the 2022-23 academic year, serving 1,019 students overall. She also reported on the passing of ECCS student Juan Olmedo and the Board's approval of an Honorary Diploma in December 2023, honoring his mother's wishes and Juan's dream of graduating high school.

**Information: 7 Operations Reports (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)**

Ms. Jasmina Campos-Rivera reported that the Enrollment Department initiated a Student Intent to Return campaign, yielding over 300 responses to date. Efforts will intensify to engage parents, coordinate with IT for device collection, and ensure accurate student counts for the upcoming school year. Additionally, acknowledging the success of this year's eight field trips, a new Field Trip Committee led by FACE staff will expand these opportunities to foster more social and educational experiences for students outside the virtual classroom.

**Information: 8. CEO Report (Dr. Jon Marsh)**

Dr. Jon Marsh presented ECCS's 2023-2024 Synergy goals, emphasizing enhanced collaboration with NEI community partners such as Esperanza College and Esperanza Arts Center. Dr. Marsh also highlighted testing transportation. Student door-to-door transportation for over 50 students was provided during PSSA and Keystone testing in North Philadelphia neighborhoods.

**E. NEW BUSINESS****Action (Consent): 1. Contracts (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)**

Ms. Campos-Rivera reviewed the contracts with the Board.

Rev. Magaly Martinez recommended the Board approve the contracts as presented.

Motion by Carmen Rocha, second by Carmen Infante.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

**Action: 2. EDNA Modification (Dr. Jon Marsh)**

EDNA is an application that provides up-to-date names, addresses other types of contact information for educational entities in Pennsylvania. Board approval is needed to make any changes or updates to EDNA.

Rev. Magaly Martinez recommended the approval of EDNA Changes as presented.

Motion by Carmen Rocha, second by Carmen Torres.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

Action: 3. 2024-25 Calendar Revision

Rev. Magaly Martinez Recommended the Board approve revisions made to the 2024-2025 School Calendar as presented

Motion by Carmen Infante, second by Carmen Torres.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## F. PERSONNEL

Action: 1. Personnel Actions (Courtney Walton)

Rev. Magaly Martinez Recommended the Board approve the Personnel Actions as presented.

Motion by Vicente Diaz, second by Carmen Torres.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## G. PARKING LOT

### H. PUBLIC COMMENT

Procedural: 1. Public Comment

None

## I. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Information: 1. Next Meeting Announcement

The next Board meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2024

## J. ADJOURNMENT

Action: 1. Adjournment at 5:00 PM

Rev. Magaly Martinez recommended the meeting adjournment

Motion by Judy Torres-Lynch, second by Carmen Rocha.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Carmen Torres, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

**Esperanza Cyber Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
4261 N. 5th Street, Philadelphia PA 19140  
Thursday, May 23, 2024**

**Board Members Present:** Magaly Martinez, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Jorge Calixto

**Board Members Absent:** Rev. Luis Cortes, Ms. Amaris Padgett

**Staff/Management Present:** Ms. Jasmina Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh.

**A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

Information: 1. Meeting Link Shared

Procedural: 2. Call to Order

Madam Chair Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez called the meeting order at 3:34 PM.

Information, Procedural: 3. Notification of Recording

**B. FINANCE**

Action: 1. 2024-25 Budget Approval

Dr. Marsh presented the budget to the Board, providing a detailed overview of the financial projections and allocations for the upcoming school year. He highlighted key areas of spending, anticipated revenues, and addressed any potential financial challenges. Dr. Marsh also answered questions from Board members, ensuring they had a clear understanding of the budget proposal and its implications for the school's operations and goals for the 2024-25 academic year.

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the Draft 2024-25 Budget as discussed.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Judy Torres-Lynch, second by Carmen Infante.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz

**C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Action: 1. Settlement Agreement Student #462-21 and #197.23.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board re-approve the Settlement Agreement and Board Resolution regarding Student #462-21 and #197.23.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Vicente Diaz, second by Vicente Diaz.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz

**D. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

Information: 1. Operations Reports (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Ms. Campos-Rivera invited the Board members to attend the seniors' graduation ceremony and provided them with detailed logistical information regarding the event.

**E. PARKING LOT**

None

**F. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Procedural: 1. Public Comment

NONE

**G. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2024, at 3:30 PM

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Action: 1. Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Magaly Martinez, second by Judy Torres-Lynch.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz

**Esperanza Cyber Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
4261 N. 5th Street, Philadelphia PA 19140  
Thursday, April 25, 2024**

**Board Members Present:** Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

**Board Members Absent:** Rev. Luis Cortes, Carmen Torres

**Staff/Management Present:** Mr. Daniel Schroeder, Rev. Danny Cortes, Mr. Daniel Cote, Mrs. Denise Taufalele, Dr. Heather High-Kennedy, Ms. Jasmina Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh, Mrs. Melissa Molina, Mrs. Morgan Baker, Mr. Matt Lentz, Dr. Sheila Gonzalez, Ms. Sheileemarie Carrion, Ms. Courtney Walton, Mr. Eric Strauss, Artemio Rodriguez.

#### **A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL**

Information: 1. Meeting Link Shared

Information: 2. Notification of Recording

Procedural: 3. Call to Order

Madam Chair Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez called the meeting order at 3:36 PM

Information: 4. Introductions

Introductions were made of Sheila Gonzalez, the Acting Elementary Principal, and Melissa Molina, the recently hired High School Principal.

Procedural: 5. Executive Session Announcement

An Executive session was held on February 22, 2024, in place of the Board meeting. Topics discussed were litigation, personnel, real estate, confidential legal issues, and negotiations.

#### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action, Minutes: 1. Approval of Minutes (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Rev. Martinez recommended that the Board approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2023, Board Meeting.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Jorge Calixto, second by Judy Torres-Lynch.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

#### **C. FINANCE**

Action: 1. Monthly Financial Statements (Artemio Rodriguez)

Mr. Rodriguez and Dr. Marsh reviewed the March Financial Reports and General Ledger.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the March 2024 Financial Report and General Ledger as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Judy Torres-Lynch, second by Jorge Calixto.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

Action: 2. 2022-23 Financial Audit

Mr. Strauss went over the audit report for the 2022- 2023 School Year. The audit opinion for ECCS is clean and unmodified, indicating that the financial statements are materially correct. Both the government and federal funding compliance opinions are also clean, with no issues found, reflecting well-managed financial controls and compliance.

Rev. Martinez Recommended the Board approve the 2022-23 ECCS Draft Audit Report as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Vicente Diaz, second by Judy Torres-Lynch.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

Procedural: 3. Draft 2024-25 Budget (First Reading)

Dr. Marsh read and presented the first reading of the budget draft and narrative for the 2024-25 ECCS school year, recommending it for consideration.

#### **D. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

Information: 1. K-12 Updates (Ivan Estevez)

Mr. Estevez presented and highlighted updates covering third-quarter conferences and a proposed scheduling adjustment for the upcoming year. This adjustment involves dedicating Wednesdays to professional development.

Information: 2. School Improvement (Denise Taufalele)

Mrs. Taufalele overviewed MTSS integration, Family Coaches, and 9th grade Academy.

Information: 3. Curriculum Development (Dr. Heather High-Kennedy)

Dr. High-Kennedy informed the Board about the Department Chairs' roles and proposed extending these roles to include the K-8 level.

Information: 4. SET (Sheileemarie Carrion)

Ms. Carrion briefed the Board on updates regarding SET data, reporting 787 referrals to date. She also informed the Board about the partnership with outside organizations to provide gently used clothing.

Information 5. Instructional Coaching (Greg Artman)

Mr. Artman overviewed onboarding and professional development feedback from staff.

Information: 6. Operations Reports (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Ms. Campos-Rivera informed the Board of the requirement for all members to complete the Statement of Financial Interest. She also provided updates on enrollment. Mr. Schroeder briefed the Board on the Esports program and their inaugural "Esports Free Play and Open House" event.

## **E. NEW BUSINESS**

Action (Consent): 1. Contracts (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Mr. Campos-Rivera reviewed the contracts with the Board. The contract with Pugh Self Protection & Combatives was removed from the list as it had been added in error.

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the contracts as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Carmen Rocha, second by Carmen Infante.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

Action (Consent): 2. Proposed 2024-25 Calendar (Jasmina Campos-Rivera)

Ms. Campos-Rivera reviewed the proposed 2024-25 calendar with the Board. All members unanimously agreed to schedule the Board Retreat for Tuesday, August 6, 2024.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the 24-25 Calendars as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Carmen Rocha, second by Carmen Infante.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

Action: 3. Settlement Agreement Student #462-21 and #197-23

Recommend the Board approve the Settlement Agreement and Board Resolution regarding Student #462-21 and #197-23.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the Settlement Agreement and Board Resolution regarding Student #462-21 and #197-23.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Jorge Calixto, second by Vicente Diaz.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## **F. PERSONNEL**

Action: 1. Personnel Actions (Dr. Jon Marsh)

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the Personnel Actions as presented.

Recommend the Board approve the Personnel Actions as presented.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Judy Torres-Lynch, second by Vicente Diaz.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

## **G. PARKING LOT**

### **H. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Procedural: 1. Public Comment

None

### **I. NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2024.

Information: 1. Next Meeting Announcement

### **J. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM

Action: 1. Adjournment

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Motion by Vicente Diaz, second by Magaly Martinez.

Yea: Magaly Martinez, Jorge Calixto, Carmen Infante, Carmen Rocha, Judy Torres-Lynch, Vicente Diaz, Amaris Hernandez Padgett

**Esperanza Cyber Charter School**  
**Board Retreat of Trustees Meeting**  
**Zoom Meeting/Esperanza Cyber Charter School**  
**4261 N 5th St, Philadelphia, PA 19140**  
**Thursday, December 14, 2023**  
**3:30 PM - 5:00 PM**

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**Board Members Present:** Mr. Jorge Calixto, Ms. Judy Torres-Lynch, Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez, Ms. Carmen Infante, Rev. Vicente Diaz, Mrs. Carmen Rocha, Ms. Carmen Torres

**Board Members Absent:** Rev. Luis Cortés

**Staff/Management Present:** Mr. Greg Artman, Ms. Amber Mendoza, Mr. Daniel Schroeder, Rev. Danny Cortés, Mr. Daniel Cote, Mrs. Denise Taufalele, Dr. Heather High-Kennedy, Ms. Jasmin Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh, Mrs. Morgan Baker, Mr. Matt Lentz, Dr. Sheila Gonzalez, Ms. Amaris Padgett, Ms. Sheilemarie Carrion, Ms. Courtney Walton

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Madam Chair Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez called the meeting order at 3:39 PM.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the October 19, 2023 Minutes.

### **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Infante, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

### **FINANCE**

#### **Monthly Financial Statements**

Mr. Lentz and Dr. Marsh reviewed the September Financial Report and General Ledger.

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the September Financial Report and General Ledger.

### **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Mr. Calixto.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

#### **2023-24 Titiel Funding**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the Title funding grants from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, Division of Federal Programs to ECCS for 2023-24.

### **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Rev. Diaz, seconded by Ms. Torres.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Designate Funds**

Dr. Marsh introduced the designation of funds. Mr. Lentz stated that there should be a correction in the recommended action from “as of December 31, 2023” to December 30, 2023.

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval to designate the presented amount of funds and transfer of funds from undesignated fund balances to the designated fund balances at the presented amounts as of December 30, 2023.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS****K-12 Updates**

Mrs. Baker presented updates on benchmarks, PBIS, quarter 1 conferences, and student engagement.

**School Improvement**

Mrs. Taufalele overviewed Computer Science Education Week, PVAAS data, and family coaches.

**Curriculum Development**

Dr. Marsh briefed the board on updates in the curriculum, MTSS, and the ninth-grade academy.

**SET**

Ms. Carrion briefed the board on updates on SET data and family/community networks.

**Instructional Coaching**

Mr. Artman overviewed onboarding, professional development, and instructional coaching.

**Operations**

Ms. Campos-Rivera and Dr. Gonzales updated the board on the Christmas party that was held in Puerto Rico for the staff that resides there. Ms. Campos-Rivera also presented on operations updates including enrollment, orientation, attendance, technology, and student retention.

**CEO**

Dr. Marsh presented to the board on organization-wide updates including staff /leadership development, the School District of Philadelphia v. Esperanza Cyber Charter School, et al., and the Charter Renewal.

**NEW BUSINESS****Graduation Resolution**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the graduation as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Rev. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Rocha.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0



**Contracts**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the contracts as presented as consent items.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Grant Updates & Approvals**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the grant revisions as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mrs. Rocha, seconded by Ms. Infante. (1:45:36)

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Health & Safety Plan**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the updated Health & Safety Plan as presented for 2023-24.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Van Purchases**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the purchase of two vans out of the Capitol Fund Balance not to exceed \$200,000.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Mrs. Rocha.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Furniture & Demo of 3rd Floor**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the purchase of new furniture for the 3rd-floor space out of the Capitol Equipment/Software/Furniture Fund not to exceed \$200,000.

Dr. Marsh stated that the new furniture would not be bought if there needed to be a bid for the furniture. Additionally, he stated that he would look into whether there are furniture deals through Esperanza at the request of Ms. Torres-Lynch.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Ms. Torres.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Settlement Agreement Student #464-22**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the Settlement Agreement and Board Resolution regarding Student #464-22.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Rev. Diaz, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**PERSONNEL**

**Personnel Actions**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the Personnel Actions as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Rev. Diaz, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Board Member Ratification**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the ratification of Ms. Amaris Hernández Padgett as a Board of Trustee Member.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Rev. Diaz, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**ADJOURNMENT**

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 PM.

**NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 22, 2024, at 3:30 PM.

*Minutes prepared by Amber Mendoza.*

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Zoom Meeting/Esperanza Cyber Charter School  
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3:30 PM - 5:00 PM**

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**Board Members Present:** Mr. Jorge Calixto, Ms. Judy Torres-Lynch, Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez, Ms. Carmen Infante, Rev. Vicente Diaz

**Board Members Absent:** Mrs. Carmen Rocha, Ms. Carmen Torres, Rev. Luis Cortés

**Staff/ Management Present:** Ms. Amber Mendoza, Mr. Artemio Rodriguez, Mr. Daniel Schroeder, Rev. Danny Cortés, Mr. Daniel Cote, Mrs. Denise Taufalele, Dr. Heather High-Kennedy, Mr. Ivan Estevez, Ms. Jasmin Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh, Mr. Michael Hopkins, Mrs. Morgan Baker

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Torres-Lynch called the meeting order at 3:49 PM.

Due to technical difficulties of Rev. Martinez voting of all items was redone at 3:59 PM.

Ms. Torres-Lynch moved that all items (Approval of August 9, 2023 Minutes, August 2023 Monthly Financial Statements, 2023-24 Title Funding, Personnel Reports, Contracts, eSignature Resolution, EDNA Modifications, Special Education Settlements, and the Teatro Performance Texts) be moved to consent items and approved.

### **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Infante, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Torres-Lynch recommended the Board adjourn.

### **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mr. Calixto, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.

### **PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS**

#### **Elementary & Middle School**

Mr. Estevez presented elementary student survey data from 2023-24 and updated the board on benchmark testing results.

#### **High School**

Mrs. Baker presented data on Back to School Night and updated the board on college and career readiness efforts.

#### **School Improvement**

Mrs. Taufalele overviewed CSI updates, family coach efforts, and state testing.

#### **ELD Report**

Mr. Hopkins presented on ELD department updates including migrant student enrollment, an ELD Parent Cafe, and a presentation to CCIUs about the mirgant program.

**Special Education**

Mr. Cote updated the board on staffing needs in the Special Education Department.

**Curriculum Development**

Dr. High-Kennedy briefed the board on updates in the curriculum, MTSS, and the ninth-grade academy.

**Operations**

Ms. Campos-Rivera presented on operations updates including enrollment, orientation, attendance, technology, grants, and student retention.

**CEO**

Dr. Marsh presented to the board on organization-wide updates including the movie screening, Vanguard Day of Service, House Bill 1422, and the Charter Renewal.

**Executive Session**

The ECCS Board entered an executive session from 4:30 PM to 5:00 PM. Possible topic discussions were litigation, personnel, real estate, confidential legal issues, and negotiations.

**NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2023, at 3:30 PM.

*Minutes prepared by Amber Mendoza.*

**Esperanza Cyber Charter School  
Board Retreat of Trustees Meeting  
Zoom Meeting/Union League Liberty Hill  
800 Ridge Pike, Lafayette Hill, PA 19444  
Wednesday, August 9, 2023  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

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**Board Members Present:** Mrs. Carmen Rocha, Mr. Jorge Calixto, Ms. Judy Torres-Lynch, Rev. Rosa Magaly Martinez, Ms. Carmen Infante, Rev. Vicente Diaz

**Board Members Absent:** , Ms. Carmen Torres, Rev. Luis Cortés

**Staff/ Management Present:** Ms. Amber Mendoza, Mr. Artemio Rodriguez, Mr. Daniel Schroeder, Rev. Danny Cortés, Mr. Daniel Cote, Mrs. Denise Taufalele, Dr. Heather High-Kennedy, Mr. Ivan Estevez, Ms. Jasmin Campos-Rivera, Dr. Jon Marsh, Mr. Joseph Papeika, Mr. Michael Hopkins, Ms. Sheileemarie Carrion

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## **INTRODUCTIONS**

The Board attended a required Advanced Act 55 Board Training covering trauma informed approaches and finances from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

## **Executive Session**

The ECCS Board entered an executive session from 12:00 PM to 12:37 PM. Possible topic discussions were litigation, personnel, real estate, confidential legal issues, and negotiations.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Madam Chair Rev. Martinez called the meeting order at 1:21 PM.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval of the June 8, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes with corrections.

## **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mr. Jorge Calixto, seconded by Ms. Infante.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

## **BOARD ELECTIONS**

Rev. Martinez recommended the approval that the 23-24 Board Elections stay the same as the 22-23 Board Elections.

## **Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Ms. Infante.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

## **FINANCE**

### **Monthly Financial Statements**

Mr. Rodriguez reviewed the financial statement and general ledger as of May 31, 2023, noting the variances, liabilities, and net assets.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the monthly financial report and general ledger as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Ms. Infante.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**NEW BUSINESS****2023-24 Board Goals**

Dr. Marsh presented the 2023-24 Board Goals.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the 2023-24 Board Goals as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mr. Calixto, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Contracts**

Ms. Campos-Rivera overviewed the contracts.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve all contracts as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Rev. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Calixto.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Physical/Dental Exam Modifications**

Ms. Campos-Rivera explained the need for modifications in physical/dental exam requirements for enrolling students.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the modifications in the physical/dental exam requirements as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Ms. Infante.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Handbooks**

Ms. Mendoza presented the 2023-24 Handbooks, highlighting notable changes.

Rev. Martinez recommended the 2023-24 Handbooks as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**Curriculum**

Dr. High-Kennedy overviewed the summer curriculum development and the 2023-24 curriculum.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve summer curriculum development and the 2023-24 curriculum as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mrs. Rocha, seconded by Ms. Torres-Lynch.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**School Improvement Plan**

Mrs. Taufalele overviewed the 2023-24 Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) Plan.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the 2023-24 CSI Plan as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Ms. Infante.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

**PERSONNEL****Personnel Actions**

Ms. Mendoza overviewed the updated Personnel Actions.

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board approve the Personnel Actions as presented.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Mr. Calixto, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

Rev. Martinez left the meeting at 2:49 PM.

**PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS****CEO Report**

Dr. Marsh updated the Board on the Cyber Charter Renewal meeting with PDE. He also addressed HB 1422.

**Elementary & Middle School**

Mr. Estevez presented elementary growth data from the 2022-23 SY. He also updated the Board on plans for the Elementary and Middle School for the 2023-24 SY.

**High School**

Mr. Papeika presented data from the 2022-23 SY including the student survey results, summer school, and dual enrollment. In addition, he highlighted plans for the 2023-24 SY.

**Counseling/College & Career**

Mr. Papeika overviewed the counseling department and college/career updates based on the 2022-23 SY.

**Student Engagement**

Ms. Carrion reviewed the end-of-year reports from the social workers and mental health specialist.

**MTSS**

Dr. High-Kennedy noted changes to the MTSS program at the middle and high school levels.

**ELD Report**

Mr. Hopkins reviewed Access Testing results, the migrant program, and plans for the 2023-24 SY.

**Special Education**

Mr. Cote presented information on the primary ECCS special education population, graduation updates, foundational skills classes, student transition, and the least restrictive environment nature of ECCS's special education program.

**Instructional Coaching & Professional Development**

Mr. Artman reviewed data from the 2022-23 Professional Development Feedback Survey and plans for the 2023-24 SY.

**Operations Report**

Ms. Campos-Rivera announced updates in Enrollment, August Staff Onboarding, Orientation, Attendance, Family Coaches, and Technology. She added information about plans for a 9th-grade open house.

**NEXT MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT**

The next Board meeting is the ECCS Board Retreat scheduled for October 19, 2023 at 3:30 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Rev. Martinez recommended the Board adjourn.

**Final Resolution:** Motion Carries

Motion by Ms. Torres-Lynch, seconded by Rev. Diaz.

*Yea:* Mr. Calixto, Rev. Martinez, Ms. Infante, Mrs. Rocha, Ms. Torres-Lynch, Rev. Diaz

*Nay:* 0

*Abstention:* 0

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 PM.

*Minutes were taken by Ms. Amber Mendoza*