



EL CAMINO REAL ACADEMY
GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025 AT 7:00 A.M.



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MINUTES

1. Preliminary Business
 - A. Call to Order
7:01 a.m.
 - B. Roll Call
Governing Council Present: Marsha Majors (Google Meet), Gretchen Long (Google Meet), Vianey Valeta-Arambula (phone), Jim Nessel (Google Meet)
Governing Council Absent: Brian Carter
Staff Present: Ian Johnson-Escudero (Google Meet), Denise Brown (Google Meet)
Guests: Mary Scofield (Google Meet)
 - C. Approval of Agenda
Marsha Majors motioned to approve the March 20, 2025 agenda as presented. Vianey Valeta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.
 - D. Approval of Minutes
Marsha Majors motioned to approve the February 20, 2025 minutes. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.
Vianey Valeta-Arambula abstained
2. Public Comment
None
3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements for January and February 2025 (Action)
Vianey Valeta-Arambula motioned to approve the January 31, 2025 Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements as presented. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.
Marsha Majors motioned to approve the February 28, 2025 Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements as presented. Vianey Valeta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.
 - B. BARS (Action)
Vianey Valeta-Arambula motioned to approve BAR FY25-18 as presented. Marsha Majors seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.
Marsha Majors motioned to approve BAR FY25-19 as presented. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.



Marsha Majors motioned to approve BAR FY25-20 as presented. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

C. Recommendation to Approve Purchases and Give Director Permission to Sign Contracts Over \$15,000. (Action)

Vianey Valeta-Arambula motioned to increase the purchase order the Business Manager (ACES) with an increase of \$15,000. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

Marsha Majors motioned to approve the requested purchase order increase of \$35,000 for the purpose of the Diagnostician (ACES) as presented. Vianey Valeta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

D. Acceptance of FY24 Audit Report (Action)

Marsha Majors motioned to accept the FY24 Audit Report as presented. Vianey Valeta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

E. Board Elections (Actions)

Marsha Majors motioned to retain the current slate of officers. Vianey Valeta-Arambula Seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

F. Committee Assignments (Action)

Jim Nettle motioned to retain the current slate of committee assignments. Gretchen Long seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

G. Budget Process (Discussion)

Mary Scofield discussed the budget timeline/process with the council.

H. Policy and Bylaw Review (Discussion/Action)

The council discussed bylaw revisions and will continue to review at future meetings.

I. Board Development (Discussion)

GC training discussed

4. Concluding Business

I. Discussion of other business and issues

II. Announcements

III. Next Meeting Date April 28, 2025 at 7:00 a.m.



IV. Adjournment

Marsha Majors motioned to adjourn at 8:29. Vianey Valeta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

Mission Statement:

As a K-12 charter school, ECRA provides rich virtual and onsite project-based learning programs that focus on STEAAM (science, technology, engineering, art, agriculture and math), SEL (social-emotional learning) and Community Connections that facilitate student agency, and empower students' to thrive with a growth mindset and learning habits that build success in all areas of their lives.