EMPIRE SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2021

10:00 a.m.

43174 Business Park Dr, Temecula, CA 92590

This meeting was held electronically.

Our mission is to empower students by fostering their innate curiosity, engaging their parents, and promoting optimum learning by collaboratively developing a personalized learning program for each student.

Present:

Ivo Caouette, Board Chair Michelle Nagelvoort, Vice Chair Jessica Large, Board Secretary Jason Rodriguez, Board Treasurer Dianne Mendez-Cantu, Board Director Tracey Vela, Board Director	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Paul Minney, Legal Counsel, Young, Minney & Corr

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
   - Mr. Caouette called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Approval of Agenda**
   - Ms. Mendez-Cantu moved to approve the agenda.
   - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes: Caouette, Large, Mendez-Cantu, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Vela, 1 Absent: Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

3. **Action: Approval of minutes July 13, 2021**
   - Ms. Nagelvoort moved to approve the minutes on July 13, 2021.
   - Ms. Large seconded.
   - Vote: 5 Ayes: Caouette, Large, Mendez-Cantu, Nagelvoort, Vela; 1 Abstention: Rodriguez; 1 Absent: Schneider; 0 Noes, Motion Adopted

4. **Action: Approval of minutes August 9, 2021**
    - Ms. Mendez-Cantu moved to approve the minutes on August 9, 2021.
    - Ms. Large seconded.
    - Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Large, Mendez-Cantu, Nagelvoort; 2 Abstentions: Rodriguez, Vela; 1 Absent: Schneider; 0 Noes, Motion Adopted

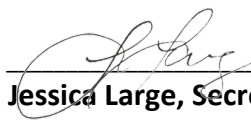
5. **Closed Session in Accordance with Gov Code Section (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9) – Entered into at 10:06 a.m.**
    - Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Reyes v. State of CA (Case No. 340202080003489)

6. **Open Session: Report of Action Taken in Closed Session – Entered into at 10:39 a.m.**
    - Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Reyes v. State of CA (Case No. 340202080003489):
    - The Board voted to seek appellate review of the trial court decision in the matter of Reyes v. State of California (Case No. 340202080003489). This lawsuit seeks to compel the State, Governor, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Controller, and the California Department of Education to recognize its obligation to fund the education of each student enrolled in Empire Springs for the 2020-21 school year.
    - The Board voted as follows: 6 Ayes: Caouette, Large, Mendez-Cantu, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Vela, 1 Absent: Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. **Public Comments**
    - None

8. **Board Comments**
    - None

9. **Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**
    - Ms. Large moved to adjourn the meeting at10:45 a.m.
    - Ms. Vela seconded.
    - Vote: 6 Ayes: Caouette, Large, Mendez-Cantu, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Vela, 1 Absent: Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Jessica Large, Secretary

Sept. 9, 2021

Date