

EMPIRE SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2024

9:00 a.m.

27740 Jefferson Ave. Temecula, CA

and

Rancho Cucamonga Student Center

8969 Archibald Ave.

Rancho Cucamonga, CA

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:

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| Stephanie Vargas, Chair Marlene Darrow, Vice Chair Chuck Vela, Treasurer Jennifer Araiza, Secretary Dianne Mendez, Director | Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Karl Yoder, Chief Financial Advisor Sarah Kollman, Young, Minney, & Corr |
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1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Ms. South called the meeting to order at a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Ms. Araiza moved to approve the agenda.
- Ms. Darrow seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

3. Action: Approval of Board Minutes from August 6, 2024

- Mr. Vela moved to approve the Board Minutes from August 6, 2024
- Ms. Araiza seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; 1 Abstention: Mendez; Motion Adopted

4. **Action: Approval of Board Minutes from September 12, 2024**
 - Ms. Mendez moved to approve the Board Minutes from September 12, 2024.
 - Mr. Vela seconded.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

5. **Public Comments**
 - None

6. **Action: Approval of 2024 Bank Financing with Western Alliance**
 - Ms. Darrow moved to approve the 2024 Bank Financing with Western Alliance.
 - Ms. Araiza seconded.
 - Discussion: Karl Yoder explained the terms of the agreement with Western Alliance for the purchase of the Rancho Cucamonga site.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

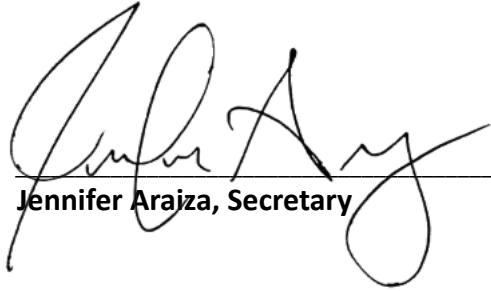
7. **Action: Consideration and Approval of the filing of the Articles of Organization for Empire Springs Facilities LLC.**
 - Ms. Darrow moved to approve the Consideration and Approval of the filing of the Articles of Organization for Empire Springs Facilities LLC.
 - Ms. Araiza seconded.
 - Discussion: Sarah Kollman explained why Empire Springs needs to form an LLC for property acquisition.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

8. **Action: Consideration and Approval of the Operating Agreement for Empire Springs Facilities LLC.**
 - Mr. Vela moved to approve the Consideration and Approval of the Operating Agreement for Empire Springs Facilities LLC.
 - Mr. Mendez seconded.
 - Discussion: Sarah Kollman explained the operating agreement between Empire Springs Charter Schools and its newly formed LLC.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

9. **Board Comments**
 - None

10. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Ms. Mendez moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m.
- Mr. Vela seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Araiza, Darrow, Mendez, Vargas, Vela; 2 Absent: Cauoette, Schneider; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Jennifer Araiza, Secretary

12/12/24

Date