

# Highlands Community Charter and Technical Schools

## Special Board Meeting Minutes

1333 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838

Thursday, March 12, 2015

Closed Session: 5:00 PM

Open Session: 5:30 PM

### Board Policy Regarding Board Minutes:

The minutes of open session meetings of the Board record all motions, show the names of Board members making and seconding motions and state the vote upon the motion. The open session minutes also record all resolutions, the recommendations of the administration and the substance of the Board's discussion or the substance of statements pertinent to Board's business made by members of the staff or public. The minutes follow a generally accepted pattern in form.

The original copy of the open session minutes are signed by the Secretary of the Board and approved by the Board. Original minutes are bound in chronological order, volumed by fiscal year and paged consecutively. The following documents are bound with the official minutes and referred to in the text of the minutes to which they apply:

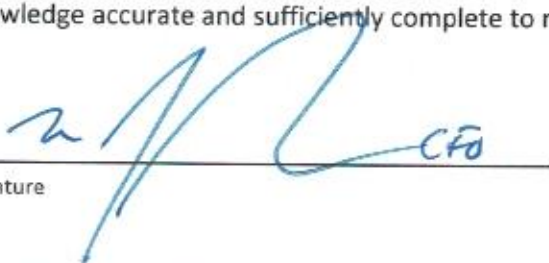
- Original copies of all resolutions unless required by other agencies, in which case photocopies of the originals may be substituted
- Original copy of all budget transfers
- Copies of any document determined by the Board of Trustees to be attached to the official minutes
- Other documents which, in the opinion of the Secretary, are necessary to fully substantiate or record Board of Trustee action.

In addition to the official minutes, an additional copy of all minutes and attached documents are maintained in the office of the Secretary of the Board. This set of minutes is bound, indexed by those categories detailed above and by subject. The bound minutes and accompanying documents are open to public scrutiny within the boundaries of the law.

### Pledge of Accuracy

As the Secretary of Highlands Community Charter School, the following minutes are to the best of my knowledge accurate and sufficiently complete to represent what occurred at the board meeting.

Signature



CFO

Date of Approval



## Rationale for Special Board Meeting

During the initial stages of the school, several contracts for consulting were accidentally considered and voted on in closed session. Most of these involved people who would later become employees, but due to not having all the human resource policies and procedures in place, it made more sense to initially pay for the services of these eventual employees as consultants (contractors). But this may have inadvertently been against the Brown Act, since at the time they were not employees and consulting contracts cannot be considered in closed session, and thus to remedy any potential problems, any consulting contract that was considered in closed session is being brought back to the board in open session, in a special board meeting, so any potential issues would be resolved as quickly as possible.

### I. PRELIMINARY

#### A. Call to Order

President

#### B. Roll Call

President

Director	Present	Absent
Mr. Mike Brunelle, President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Ward Allen, Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Murdock Smith, Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Matt Powers, Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Doyle Radford, Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Josie Washington, Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Linda Fowler, LEA Representative	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
No Quorum:	3 of 7	

#### Minutes

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING WAS NOT HELD DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

### II. NON-SCHEDULED ITEMS REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ACTION

Items not placed on the agenda may be considered by the board only in exceptional circumstances, such as emergency situations (requiring a majority vote to consider) or when an issue came to the attention of the school subsequent to the agenda being posted (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider).

### III. CLOSED SESSION

In general, the purpose of a closed session is to avoid revealing confidential information that may, in specified circumstances, prejudice the legal or negotiating position of the agency or compromise the privacy interests of employees or students. Only items that are allowed by the Brown Act and on the agenda in accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2 may be considered in Closed Session.

**A. Procedures**

Announcement of Closed Session Items; Opportunity for Public to address the Board on Closed Session Items; Closing doors in the Conference Room for the Closed Session to discuss the following item:

- 1. **Conference with Legal Counsel** **Gov. Code §54956.9**  
Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code §54956.9 – 2 cases – Possible Action
  
- 2. **Public Employee Contract Revision** **Gov. Code 54957**
  - a) *Title: English Language Development/Community Based Education Teacher*

**IV. OPEN SESSION**

- A. Reconvene in Public Session** **President**
  
- B. Reporting of Actions Taken in Closed Session** **President**  
**Gov. Code §54957.1**

**V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board Member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will usually be no discussion of these items prior to the Board’s vote on them. The Principal recommends approval of all the consent items.

- A. Ratify Payment of Current Salaries and Bills** **Treasurer**  
Review the Payment of Current Salaries and Bills.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**