

Highlands Community Charter and Technical Schools

Board Meeting Agenda

1333 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838

March 4, 2015

Wednesday, 5:00 PM

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Instructions for Presentations to the Board by Parents, Students and Citizens

Highlands Community Charter School (HCCS) welcomes your participation at the schools Board Meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board is to conduct the affairs of HCCS in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our school. To assist you with the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1. Agendas are available to audience members at the door to the meeting
2. Blue "Request to Speak" cards are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda item or under the general category of "Public Comment".
3. "Public Comment" is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to the public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to 2 minutes and the total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed (20) twenty minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your blue request card and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to (5) five minutes when the Board discusses that item.
5. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their names and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
6. Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda in accordance with the guidelines in the Board Policies. Once such an item is properly on the agenda and publicly noticed, the Board can discuss, respond and possibly act on that item.
7. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon 72 hour request, the school may furnish auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternatives modification of the agenda in order to participate in Board Meetings are invited to contact the Principal's office.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order

President

B. Roll Call

President

Director	Present	Absent
Mr. Mike Brunelle, President	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Ward Allen, Vice President	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Murdock Smith, Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Matt Powers, Secretary	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Doyle Radford, Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Josie Washington, Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Linda Fowler, LEA Representative	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quorum Required:	4 of 7	

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 – 1 case – Possible Action

IV. OPEN SESSION

- A. Reconvene in Public Session** **President**
- B. Reporting of Actions Taken in Closed Session** **President**
Gov. Code §54957.1
- C. Pledge of Allegiance** **Vice-President**
- D. Public Comment**
Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be more than (2) two minutes and the total time for this purpose will not exceed (20) twenty minutes. Ordinarily, Board Members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.
- E. Principal's Report** **Principal**
This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the last Board Meeting.
- F. Coordinators' Report** **Coordinators**
This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the last Board Meeting by Jacob Walker, Academics Coordinator and Ward Allen, CTE Coordinator.

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. Approve Minutes from Previous Board Meeting** **President**
Vote to approve the minutes of February 4, 2015 regular board meeting and February 4, 2015 special board meeting.

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION & DISCUSSION

This portion of the meeting is reserved for general discussions within the board in which the board may give direction to the principal or other designee. Formal motions and resolutions may also be voted on during this portion of the meeting.

- A. Financial Audit Proposal** **Kirk Williams**
Discussion on proposal from Osaka, Rotherham & Company – Certified Public Accountants – to provide audit services to Highlands Community Charter School.

- B. Finance Committee Report** **Treasurer**
Report from the Finance Committee, discussion, and possible action.
- C. Alternative Schools Accountability Model (ASAM) Program** **Jacob Walker**
Discussion on approval for ASAM participation.
- D. Single School District Plan/School Site Council** **Kirk Williams**
Presentation of revised Single School District Plan and discussion on progress of the School Site Council.
- E. Accreditation with WASC** **Jacob Walker**
Discussion of current and future accreditation status.
- F. Board Workshop** **Kirk Williams**
Discussion on the date selection of the Board Workshop.

VII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. Approve Clarified Minutes of December 3, 2014** **Jacob Walker**
To clarify that during the board meeting on December 3, 2014 a public hearing occurred about short-term independent study.
- B. Resolution and Policy** **Jacob Walker**
Recommendation that to be more consistent with state standards, all students who earn high school credits for courses, should have the right to be considered a high school student (Grade level 9 or above). Thus, all existing students who are earning high school credit should be considered as high school students as of the time of their entry to the school.
- C. Fiscal Policies and Procedures Manual** **Kirk Williams**
Review and adopt revised Fiscal Policies and Procedures Manual.

VIII. ITEMS TO BE ADDED FOR NEXT MEETING

This portion of the meeting is reserved for the addition of agenda items for a following board meeting by any board member. Items may also be added to the agenda by any Board Member, the Principal, or a Coordinator, at any time prior to the public posting of the agenda.

The next monthly Board Meeting will be held on April 8, 2015 at 4:00 PM.

IX. ADJOURNMENT