

# LinkEd Public Schools (LPS) Board Meeting

Minutes LPS Board of Directors Meeting

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**Date:** June 14, 2024

**Time:** 10:00 AM

**Physical Location:** 1701 18th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301 (Virtual via Zoom)

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### I. Opening Items

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by David James, President.

2. **Flag Salute**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lilia Ray

3. **Record Attendance**

*Attendance record; David James, Lilia Ray, Leslie Walters, Joanna Kendrick.*

4. **Changes to Agenda**

No changes were made to the agenda.

5. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments submitted or made during the meeting.

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### II. Consent Agenda

*There were no items on the Consent Agenda.*

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### III. Closed Session

1. **Update on Pending Litigation DHF v. KBOE No. BCV-23-10377**

*The Board received an update on the ongoing litigation in closed session. No action was taken.*

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### IV. Open Session

*There were no reports from the Closed Session.*

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## **V. Regular Agenda**

### **1. CAAT 2024-25 Budget**

*The Board discussed the proposed budget for the 2024-25 school year. The discussion included an overview of expected revenues and expenditures, allocation of funds for key programs, and strategies to ensure financial stability. Edtech provided the Board with information about PCSGP and other funding sources.*

**Motion:** David James

**Second:** Leslie Walters

**Roll Call:**

- Leslie Walters - Aye
- Lilia Ray - Aye
- David James - Aye
- Melissa Alsop - Aye

**Carried 4-0**

### **2. Lease Agreement for 1701 and 1723 18th Street**

*Ms. Kendrick shared an overview of the updated lease agreement and final negotiated terms.*

*David James provided additional information about the school's planned TI's and the CUP process. The final lease was drafted by the school's attorneys and reflects the school's interests and timelines.*

*Lili Ray expressed her excitement for the use of the building.*

*Leslie Walters asked about the plans for safe drop-off and pick up. Ms. Kendrick and Mr. James provides an overview of their discussions with the city and building owner regarding student drop off.*

**Motion:** David James

**Second:** Leslie Walters

**Roll Call:**

- Leslie Walters - Aye
- Lilia Ray - Aye
- David James - Aye

- Melissa Alsop - Aye

**Carried 4-0**

### **3. Approval of Minutes from 5-31-24 Board Meeting**

*The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting held on May 31, 2024. After confirming the accuracy of the minutes, they were approved without any amendments.*

**Motion:** Melissa Alsop

**Second:** Lilia Ray

#### **Roll Call:**

- Leslie Walters - Aye
- Lilia Ray - Aye
- David James - Aye
- Melissa Alsop - Aye

**Carried 4-0**

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## **VIII. Regular Agenda - Academics**

*There were no academic items discussed during this meeting.*

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## **IX. Communications**

### **1. Ms. Kendrick's Report**

*Ms. Kendrick provided updates on several critical areas, including staffing, school operations, upcoming events, and strategic initiatives. She detailed the progress of ongoing recruitment efforts, recent hires, and professional development plans for the teaching staff. Additionally, Ms. Kendrick outlined recent and upcoming purchases, such as classroom technology, educational materials from the PCSGP grant.*

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## **X. Board Comments**

*Board members shared their thoughts on the discussed items, expressing appreciation for the staff's hard work and commitment to the school's mission.*

*Mrs. Walters also highlighted the importance of the approved budget and lease agreements in supporting the school's growth and sustainability.*

*Mr. James highlighted all of the work the team has been doing to execute the facilities plan and their ongoing efforts.*

*Mrs. Ray commented that the level of dedication and efforts to recruit students has been impressive and she is willing to assist in any way she can to get the word out about the school.*

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## **XI. Closing Items**

### **1. Motion to Adjourn**

**Motion:** Leslie Walters

**Second:** David James

### **2. Roll Call:**

- Leslie Walters - Aye
- Lilia Ray - Aye
- David James - Aye
- Melissa Alsop - Aye

**Carried 4-0**

### **3. The meeting was adjourned at 11:43**

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