



**MINUTES OF THE 01/26/23 BOARD MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
LENNOX MATH, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
(A California Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation)**

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Bruce McDaniel, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order on the date, time and place set forth as follows:

Time: 5:04 pm

Date: 01/26/23

Place: Via ZOOM teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

Dr. McDaniel welcomed everyone and thanked everyone for joining.

Board meeting was called to order after Dr. McDaniel read the following:

The Lennox Math, Science and Technology Academy (“School”) welcomes your participation at the School’s Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

This meeting will be by teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

The Board of Directors (“Board”) and employees of Lennox Academy shall meet via the Zoom meeting platform. Members of the public who wish to access this Board meeting may do so at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82332481522>

Members of the public who wish to comment during the Board meeting may use the “raise hand” tool on the Zoom platform. Individual comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. If an interpreter is needed for comments, they will be translated to English, and the time limit shall be six (6) minutes. The Board of Directors may limit the total time for public comment to a reasonable time. The Board reserves the right to mute or remove a member of the public if comments or actions disrupts the Board meeting.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Andrade, SP	<u> X </u>	_____
Latuner, Karen	<u> X </u>	_____
McCray, Steve	<u> X </u>	_____
McDaniel, Bruce	<u> X </u>	_____
McMichael, Shuna	<u> X </u>	_____
Stabile, John	<u> X </u>	_____

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 12/08/22

Mr. Stabile motioned to approve minutes from board meeting on 12/08/22, second by Ms. Andrade. All in favor by consensus. None opposed.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. McDaniel asked if there were any changes to agenda. Mr. Mena shared that there were no changes. Ms. Andrade motioned to approve agenda, second by Dr. McMichael. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

II. OPEN SESSION

A. COMMUNICATIONS – NOP PRESENTATIONS

1. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

- a. ASB student presentation – ASB representative were not present at the meeting.
- b. Charles Schwab Investment Account Update Presentation (Christine Amato & Marc Myers) – Representatives had trouble logging in through zoom, but were able to call in by phone; as of market close today, portfolio is at 5.972 million dollars; currently estimating that for 2023 invested income is over 100K (generating close to 12K per month) – significant change from last year. Dr. McDaniel asked if that money was similar as a CD that was there/guaranteed if left until term; response was that it “depends” and further explanation was provided.

Mr. Mena inquired if it would be possible to create separate accounts to allocate funds for three different areas: Facility Expansion, Post-Employment Benefits, and General Reserves. Mr. Myers provided response and share that was possible; they would need to create duplicate accounts designated for three different purposes, as described above; he would need to send some paperwork to make that happen. Dr. McDaniel would like to see that happen.

Dr. McDaniel appreciated the update and hopes to have them provide frequent updates to track progress.

- c. Christy White & Associates 21-22 Financial Audit Presentation (Marcy Kearney) – Marcy Kearney shared the results of the 21-22 Financial Audit. Ms. Kearney reported that Lennox Academy obtained the highest recognition on all three areas they review – Unmodified Opinion, on the financial statements, government auditing standards, and state compliance. Key highlights were shared with the board, as well as updates to keep in mind for the 23-24 school year. Dr. McDaniel asked a clarifying question regarding the new lease standard. Ms. Kearney provided further clarification.
- d. English Department Presentation (Iona Cano) – Ms. Iona shared presentation with the board regarding the following:
 - 1. What they can expect to see in all English classes (literary analysis, rhetorical analysis, students sharing their opinions through Socratic seminars, debates of various formats, mock trails; research; creative writing, incorporation of visual art and film, and cross-curricular applications)
 - 2. Professional Development Opportunities, in particular experiences and workshops through the C.A.T.E. Conference
 - 3. High School Partnership with Geffen Playhouse

Ms. Cano also shared link to a padlet she created with student work.

Board thanked Ms. Cano for her presentation and commended her for her enthusiasm, energy, and commitment to students. Ms. Cano invited board members to be part of mock-trails in her English classes; some board members expressed interest.

- e. Fiscal status presentation (Josh Eng – CSMC) – Mr. Eng shared the Monthly Financial Board Report and reviewed the Balance Sheet Summary. The board had no questions.

2. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

This is a presentation of information which has occurred since the previous Board meeting.

Mr. Mena a couple updates with the board regarding the following:

- a. COVID updates – Due to rise in numbers before the break, LMSTA implemented mandated masking indoors again and made a commitment to wear them for 3-weeks after the week. Case numbers have been low. Zero cases from school-wide testing the first week; two cases from schoolwide testing this week (3rd week of school); some cases reported from at-home testing. Recommends at this point to revert to not making mandatory; effective next week, strongly encourage, but make masks optional unless hear differently from board; board was in agreement.
- b. Update with regards to Grant Money; Mr. Mena received an email from the

grant that Mr. Rivas had applied for to increase STEM opportunities for students. Mr. Rivas is leading a team to help get our students involved and lead opportunities in connection with the Lennox School District Schools to provide exposure. More details to be shared once confirmed.

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) 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.

- No Oral Communication

B. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

- a. Discuss and consider conducting the Lennox Academy Board of Directors **February 23rd, 2023** board meeting via teleconference in accordance with adopted resolutions 2122-3 & AB361.

It is recommended that the Board approve Agenda Item B.a
Moted: Ms. Latuner
Second: Dr. McCray
All present in favor by consensus. None Opposed. Motion carries.

- b. Ratify and approve employment of the following employee:
i. Charlie Hernandez – Assistant Baseball Coach effective 01/20/23

It is recommended that the Board approve Agenda Item B.b.
Moted: Ms. Andrade
Second: Mr. Stabile
All present in favor by consensus. None Opposed. Motion carries.

- c. Approve the 2021-2022 Financial Audit

It is recommended that the Board approve amended Agenda Item B.c.
Moted: Dr. McCray
Second: Dr. McMichael
All present in favor by consensus. None Opposed. Motion carries.

- d. Approve the 2021-2022 School Accountability Report Card (SARC).

It is recommended that the Board approve Agenda Item B.d.
Moted: Mr. Stabile
Second: Ms. Latuner
All present in favor by consensus. None Opposed. Motion carries.

- e. Ratify and approve Purchase Orders/Expenses through December 2022.

It is recommended that the Board approve Agenda Item B.e.
Motedioned: Dr. McMichael
Second: Ms. Andrade
All present in favor by consensus. None Opposed. Motion carries.

III. CLOSED SESSION

Entered Closed Session at 6:01 pm

A. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Confidential Student Issue #01-2223

B. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Report out of Closed Session at 6:11 pm
Nothing to report from Closed Session.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at **6:12** pm

Board Meeting Minutes Approval

Board Chair or Board Secretary Name

Signature

Date