

**Meeting Minutes**

Meeting of the Board of Directors – Envision Schools  
 Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP  
 One Montgomery Center Street  
 San Francisco, CA 94101  
 March 8, 2012

**I. PRELIMINARY**

1. Call to Order
  - Natalie Walrond called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.
2. Roll Call
  - Larry Rosenberger, David Cooper, Jim Wiggett, Natalie Walrond, Bob Lenz, Kirsten Weisser, Amy Vernetti, Greg Daily, Lawrie Mott, Helen Bulwik
  - Others in attendance: Jane Breyer, Erika Andrew Nielsen, Judy Hill, Keisha Wilson, Gia Truong
  - Absent: Sherri Pittman, Gay Hoagland, Todd Aldrich
3. Approval of Minutes from January 12, 2012 Board Meeting
  - Motion: Natalie
  - Second: David
  - 10 Yes 0 No

**II. PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*None.*

**III. REPORTS**

1. CEO Report
  - Bob welcomed board members and updated the group on several state government initiatives. He thanked board member, Helen Bulwik, for bringing the Tuskegee Airmen event to Envision Academy. This was very well received and appreciated by faculty and students at the school.
  - Bob announced the success of Gia Truong, Superintendent, and Naomi Kellar, VP Human Resources, who have been holding Town Hall meetings at the schools to build culture and community.
  - Bob shared that he attended the AASA conference as a panelist representing Envision Schools.
  - Bob showed a video highlighting the work at Impact Academy and two other US schools.
2. Superintendent Report
  - Gia Truong thanked Jane Breyer for facilitating the addition of an SAT prep program that will be established for all students at Envision Schools.

- Gia reported that the Town Hall meetings at the schools have been successful in providing information about our education program.
- 3. Finance Committee Report
  - David Cooper presented a summary of the financials of Envision Schools and a highlight from the Finance Committee report.
  - The new fiscal budget will be presented to the full board at the April meeting.
- 4. Development Committee Report
  - Jane presented the communications branding cards to the board. Final iteration will be completed in the coming weeks.
  - Jane gave a short presentation about the up-to-date development numbers. She reported on the donor for SAT test prep at all Envision Schools.
- 5. Directors Committee Report
  - Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests was signed by all members and needs to be filed by April 1, each year.
  - Kirsten Weisser, new board member, signed ES Conflict of Interest Policy statement.
  - Revised board packets will be sent to all members – this will include the Conflict of Interest Policy and revised board job descriptions.

#### **IV. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Panel discussion on the state of Education Reform and Deeper Learning
  - Panel discussion led by David Stern, UC Berkeley Graduate School of Education
  - Panelists: Chris Walsh, New Tech Network; Barbara Chow, Hewlett Foundation; Gary Hoachlander, ConnectED; Mario De Anda, Big Picture Learning
2. Envision Learning Partners (ELP) Presentation
  - Erika presented on the progress made through ELP over last year. She reported that we are 50% to goal for 2013. She spoke about foundation activity across the program, progress this year, and where we're headed for next year. She also talked about where ELP is in the pilot program from 2010 – 2013.
  - Erika described the 9-month scaling strategy and presented our regional presence. She detailed the key issues involving interest, both locally and nationally, how to allocate resources, how to develop leaders (we've been teacher-centric; we should also focus on leaders), how to offer smaller bundles of work, how to develop district interest.
  - The board was separated into four groups to process through a small group activity.

#### **V. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approval of the selection of the auditors, Hosaka, Rotherham & Company
  - Motion: Bob
  - Second: David
  - Ayes: 10 Yes 0 No

2. Approval to adopt the Conflict of Interest Policy as recommended by the Committee on Directors
  - Motion: David
  - Second: Helen
  - Ayes: Roll call
  - Passes unanimously
  
3. Approval of the addition of the Board of Directors job description
  - Motion: Bob
  - Second: Amy
  - Ayes: 10 Yes 0 No

**V. CLOSED SESSION**

- Nothing to report.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 PM.