

**Board Minutes**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors – Envision Schools**  
**Support Office, 185 Berry St., Suite 220,**  
**SF, CA 94107**  
**June 3, 2010, 4:00 pm**  
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**I. PRELIMINARY**

1. Call to Order at 4:05pm
2. Roll Call: Maida Stupski, Paul Carney, Helen Bulwik, Natalie Walrond, Nancy Farese, Larry Rosenberger, David Cooper, Bob Lenz, Amy Verneti, Vincent Matthews, Matt Roche
3. Other: John Krull, Anne Holmes, Naomi Kellar

**II. CLOSED SESSION**

1. Possible Litigation
2. Student Expulsion Case(s)
  - a. 0910-21 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - b. 0910-22 - Stipulated Expulsion
  - c. 0910-23 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - d. 0910-24 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - e. 0910-25 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
3. CEO Performance Review

**III. DISPOSITION OF CLOSED SESSION**

1. Approved: Student Expulsion Cases
  - 0910-21 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - 0910-22 - Stipulated Expulsion
  - 0910-23 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - 0910-24 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion
  - 0910-25 - Stipulated Suspended Expulsion

Moved: Walrond

Second: Carney

12 Yes, 0 No

**IV. PRESENTATIONS**

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John Krull (VP Technology) presented a Technology update called "How Technology Works" and stated that Envision is keeping an eye on costs while focusing on Arts and Technology.

- a. Who: Tech Coordinators were cut from 4 to 2 (which includes IT resources that are working on all of Envision); There are Ed-Tech facilitators at each school
- b. What: There are computers, laptops (Macbooks) at all the schools;  
the schools are standardized on iMacs;\_adopted the first Netbooks which are 1/3 of the cost of Macs. Envision currently has an enterprise class wireless system – providing carts and buckets of laptops for the students which alleviates the need for and cost of labs. It also enables 50 people or more to get online. Apple servers currently run the Envision infrastructure
- c. How: Envision has taken advantage of being a network of schools - firewall monitoring is centralized, along with virus protection. Usage has gone up and an upgrade will be made this summer which will provide an increase in speed to get online and a net cost decrease.
- d. Why: We are building this infrastructure because we were outsourcing (cloud computing), doing everything over the Internet. (Google Apps, PowerSchool, Digital Archive, NWEA, NetSuite, Thriva, PrepHQ. Next year student files will be stored on Google
- e. Funding and compliance: The biggest outside funder is the E-Rate Program. Envision is expecting \$170K of funding from this program (which funds core technologies for schools), and also from the Teleconnect fund, State Grants, and earmarked contributions
- f. Compliance: Envision Schools is CIPA compliant; Internet, email filters, training, and acceptable use policies are all in place. Envision has a 3 year Tech Plan.

## V. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Executive Committee Report: Amy Verneti and Bob Lenz reported
  - a. KPI Report:
    - i. Progress toward goals: Currently Envision Schools is at 70% Teacher retention, and last year teacher retention was at 60%

- ii. FY 11 Enrollment Update: No changes from last Board of Directors meeting. Enrollment for Envision Academy is on track.
- iii. A new Principal will be starting in July at Metro

- 2. Development Committee: Bob Lenz reported  
 A plan is being built on how to staff the Development team. Currently Jane Breyer is working as a Consultant Development and Envision is looking forward to more staff in Development and Operations.

**VI. ACTION ITEMS**

- 1. Consent Items
  - Minutes from 4/29/10 Board Meeting  
 MOTION: Nancy Farese moved to approve 4/29/10 Board Minutes  
 SECOND: Helen Bulwik seconded the motion  
 All in favor none opposed
  - Minutes from 5/25/10 Special Board Meeting  
 MOTION: Amy Verneti moved to approve 5/25/210 Board Minutes  
 SECOND: Nancy Farese seconded the motion  
 All in favor none opposed
- 2. Finance Committee Action Item
  - FY11 Budget  
 MOTION: Matt Roche moved to approve the FY11 budget  
 SECOND: Nancy Farese seconded the motion  
 All in favor none opposed
- 3. Committee for the Directors
  - Approve nomination of Helen Bulwik as Chair of the Committee for the Directors - Nancy Farese nominated Helen Bulwik as Chair of the Committee for the Directors
  - Approve nomination of Natalie Walrond as Chair of the Board of Directors  
 MOTION: Nancy Farese made a motion that both Nominees are accepted  
 SECOND: Amy Verneti seconded the motion  
 All in favor none opposed  
 Amy Verneti announced Natalie Walrond as Board Chair

**VII. PRESENTATION**

## 1. CEO Presentation - Bob Lenz presented the state of the Organization 2010

Envision is focusing on stabilizing Operations and Finance, improving school performance and learning quality, and becoming a model for public schools

- Challenges: The organization's capacity given the reduction of staff and resources; Providing reading and math intervention; Incorporating math and science learning; Continued economic uncertainty with the California budget crisis and challenging development climate; Student retention needs to be improved, especially enrollment at Metro.
- Accomplishments: The Envision Academy charter has been renewed with a unanimous vote; 6 year term for WASC; 80% of Envision Academy students were accepted to a 4 year College; EA had the highest API growth; Impact had a 51 point jump in API; Envision secured a long-term, high quality, low cost facility for Impact; Improved relationship between the Envision Support Office and the schools; Cost per student has declined; Philanthropic need decreased to \$1050 per student; Enrollment has grown; Envisions went up in similar schools rankings; 94% of the Envision class of 2008 re-enrolled in college compared to 60% in the State; Envision has filled both Principal openings with the top two picks
- What's next: Kick-off strategic planning process; Business model for 3Cs; Increased staff capacity; Even more students going out to college
- There has been incredible board support and Envision Schools has come a long way.
- Gifts were given to departing Board Members Vincent Matthews and Nancy Farese (Student Artwork from Impact)

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**