

**DRAFT MINUTES for
Monday, May 21, 2007
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors – Envision Schools
Envision Schools Support Office
185 Berry Street, Suite 220
San Francisco, CA 94107
5:00 – 8:00 pm**

I. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order

Bob Lenz called the meeting to order at 5:07 pm.

B. Roll Call

Present: Bob Lenz, Tom Kehler, Patrick Macias, Daniel McLaughlin, Debra Meyerson, Sanjay Poonen, Amy Verneti, Joel Zarrow

Absent: Cory Gaines, William La Herran, Teresa Lai

Also Present: Shilpa Duvoor, Stewart Fox, Bob Fyles, Jeri Howland, Chris Pelgrift, Jon Schwartz

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

B. FOR INFORMATION, BOARD/STAFF DISCUSSION

1. Project Exchange (Bob Lenz)

Bob Lenz presented a tour of the Project Exchange website. He highlighted the website's ability to create slideshows, to compile media galleries for each project, and to map to state standards. He noted that it is time intensive for teachers to upload projects and so Envision provides a financial incentive for teachers to do so. Tom Kehler noted that in comparison to similar websites, the Project Exchange website is one of the best out there.

2. Graduation Portfolio & College Knowledge (Bob Lenz)

Bob Lenz gave an overview of the College Knowledge Forum at CAT. He noted that all of the various representatives from college admissions were impressed with the Graduation Portfolio system Envision has built. Representatives from Stanford have committed to tracking kids, and the UC system is also open to this.

3. Marketing/Communications Update (Jeri Howland)

Jeri Howland gave a Marketing and Communications update. Joel Zarrow noted that he will be following up with Board members regarding naming two potential donor prospects.

4. Enrollment Update (Jon Schwartz)

Jon Schwartz gave an Enrollment update. Bob Lenz highlighted that Impact is fully enrolled with all students' registration packets submitted. Discussion ensued regarding enrollment best practices.

5. **Facilities Update (Bob Fyles)**

Bob Fyles presented an update on facilities. Daniel McLaughlin commended Bob Fyles for a job well done.

III. CLOSED SESSION

The closed session was convened at 5:36 pm.

IV. DISPOSITION OF CLOSED SESSION

The open session was reconvened at 6:36 pm. There was nothing to report from closed session.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

1. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of Minutes of April 30, 2007

B. Review of Envision Schools Check Register (from EdTec)

MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR

VOTE: VERNETTI/McLAUGHLIN

Vote: 8 Ayes; 0 Nays

2. **MSAT Facilities & NUSD report on 2nd Interim Budget (Bob Lenz)**

Chris Pelgrift presented an overview of the 2nd Interim Budget report due to NUSD. Bob Lenz stated that Envision Schools needs to respond to the latest Prop 39 offer from NUSD. Bob Lenz summarized that Envision has been asked to unequivocally accept NUSD's offer of space, which only provides for Novato students. He stated that Envision has worked and will continue to work to find a solution that does not put Envision at financial risk and does not force us to accept undue liability. He noted that working conditions with NUSD have become increasingly untenable, and that he believes parents and students of MSAT should work with NUSD to sever ties with Envision and to apply for a new charter. This charter would define MSAT as a locally governed, independent charter of Envision Schools. Stewart Fox, MSAT's principal, would lead this effort.

MOTION: THE ES BOARD ENCOURAGES MSAT PARENTS AND THE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP TO PURSUE A TRANSFER OF MSAT'S CHARTER TO BE UNDER A NEWLY FORMED PARENT GROUP COMPLETELY INDEPENDENT OF ES. ES WILL WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH THE NEW MSAT GROUP AND THE NUSD TO REACH THIS GOAL.

VOTE: KEHLER/VERNETTI **Vote: 8 Ayes; 0 Nays**

Stewart thanked the Envision Schools Board for all of their work and support. Bob Lenz thanked Stewart Fox and Patrick Macias for their tireless efforts.

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: MOVE TO ADJOURN

VOTE: KEHLER/ZARROW

Vote: 8 Ayes; 0 Nays

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.