

THE EDGE SCHOOL INC., EDGE HIGH SCHOOL
Board Meeting Minutes
2555 East 1st Street Tucson AZ 85716
March 27, 2025
Via Zoom Virtual Meeting

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<u>Agenda item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
Call to order	Steve Witthoeft called the meeting to order at 7:36am <u>Board and Officers</u> Present in person: Steve Witthoeft, Brittany Battle, Reginald Laister Present via teleconference: Cheryl Spatz Absent: Also Present in person: Rob Pecharich – Executive Director and District Principal, Anne Ortiz – Finance and Resource Director (left at 800AM) Also present (virtual): Dave Thatcher – Principal Edge Also Absent:	N/A
Consent Agenda		
Discussion and Possible Actions to Approve the February 2025 Bank Reconciliations, and the February 18, 2025 Combined Meeting Minutes	Reginald Laister made the following motion – to approve the February 2025 Bank Reconciliations, and the February 18, 2025 Combined Meeting Minutes, as presented. Brittany Battle seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.
Regular Agenda		
Discussion on formation of a staff advisory committee	The Board discussed a proposal from a staff member to form a “Staff Advisory Committee” for staff to raise issues directly with the Board. Board members made comments about concerns raised by staff and discussed the following possible options to allow for discussion of concerns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Board may bring in a Mediator to assist the situation ● Schedule regular meetings per quarter for staff to have discussions with the Board (“office hours”) ● Formation of a Staff Advisory Committee ● Individual Board members would be willing to meet with staff at both campus without administration present 	N/A
Discussion regarding Edge Northwest Campus Lease renewal	Edge requested extension on 60-day notice of intent for lease renewal - granted a 30-day extension (May 1st). Conversations needed between Edge and landlord regarding current building issues and costs for remediation. Staff’s legal counsel requested a 3rd mold spore test and feels there are ongoing issues with the campus infrastructure.	N/A
Discussion regarding preliminary budgeting enrollment for Fiscal Year 2026	Current Enrollment 126 (this FY funding based on 100-day ADM of 145, budget ADM of 170) Brittany Battle made the following motion – to approve the FY’26 ADM for planning at 150. Reginald Laister seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action for Request for Proposal for Audit Services contract for fiscal years 2025-2029	Steve Witthoeft made the following motion – to approve the Request for Proposal for Audit Services contract for fiscal years 2025-2029. Cheryl Spatz seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.
Focus Areas		
Ways to engage for 2024-2025 (Quarter 3 & 4)	Arizona Gives Day, Tuesday 4/1 (by our direct giving link) Edge 3rd Q Honors Assembly, Friday 4/4 12-12:30pm Taste of Oro Valley, Sunday 4/13 at Steam Pump Ranch Cognia accreditation review, Tuesday 4/22 (<i>need 2 board members to attend</i>) Teacher Appreciation Week 5/5 - 5/9 Sky School 5/6 - 5/9 Prom 5/10 Graduation 5/22 @ Leo Rich Theatre	N/A
Committee planning and reporting on progress	No comment.	N/A
Public Comment	Kieran McGann (NW teacher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Distrust is the main issue. Feelings of dishonesty and misleadings. ● Would accept results of 3rd party testing for mold. ● Wanted Admin to be more open for staff and students to come to them with issues and be heard. Brett Dodds (NW teacher) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Feels a lack of integrity of the administration. ● Started reaching out Feb 18th for current school issues and have felt unlistened to and pushed aside. ● Since 2016 - lack of property management for the building, years of leaks with no abatement. ● Feels her character was defamed directly by the administration. 	N/A
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 9:15am	N/A

Next Board Meeting scheduled: April 15, 2025, 7:30am-9am.

Board minutes respectfully submitted by Anne Ortiz
Approved on: _____ by Edge Board