

THE EDGE SCHOOL INC., EDGE HIGH SCHOOL
Board Meeting Minutes
2555 East 1st Street Tucson AZ 85716
April 15, 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 7:42am <u>Board and Officers</u> Present in person: Steve Witthoeft, Brittany Battle Present via teleconference: Cheryl Spatz, Reginald Laister Absent: Also Present in person: Rob Pecharich – Executive Director and District Principal Also present (virtual): Anne Ortiz – Finance and Resource Director, Dave Thatcher – Principal Edge Also Absent:	N/A
Reports/Comments /Q&A	Board will share comments, ask questions, and review reports.	N/A
Consent Agenda		
Discussion and Possible Actions to Approve the March 2025 Bank Reconciliations, and the March 27, 2025 Combined Meeting Minutes	Brittany Battle made the following motion – to approve the March 2025 Bank Reconciliations, and the March 27, 2025 Combined Meeting Minutes, as presented. Reginald Laister seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.
Regular Agenda		
Discussion and possible action to approve reduction in Classroom Site Performance Pay and Equivalent reduction for staff not eligible for Classroom Site	Steve Witthoeft made the following motion – to approve reduction in Classroom Site Performance Pay and Equivalent reduction for salaried staff not eligible for Classroom Site. Brittany Battle seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.
Discussion and possible action to approve Revised Expenditure Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25	Brittany Battle made the following motion – to approve Revised Expenditure Budget Fiscal Year 2024-25. Steve Witthoeft seconded the motion.	Aye – Steve Witthoeft Aye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister Motion passed unanimously.
Discussion regarding expenditure budget fiscal year 2025-26	Unsure what federal funding Education will receive. Planning FY 25-26 budget at ADM 150. Positions that are Grant funded likely will not be funded next year due to significant reduction in Grant money. Enrollment & retention issues particularly at Himmel Park. Assuming the need for an additional position to be cut from Himmel Park, as well as possible reduction in everyone’s salaries.	N/A

Discussion and possible action regarding Edge Northwest Campus Lease renewal	<p>Cheryl Spatz made the following motion – to exercise the 1-yr lease agreement for the Edge Northwest Campus Lease renewal.</p> <p>Steve Witthoeft seconded the motion.</p> <p>Landlord was passive, now intends to be more aware, but still sees his obligations in a certain view. New lease agreement may put more maintenance, and payments for maintenance, onto Edge.</p>	<p>Aye – Steve Witthoeft Naye – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Aye – Reginald Laister</p> <p>Motion passed.</p>
Discussion regarding Roles and Responsibilities matrix of the Governing Board and Executive Director	<p>Helps to understand the differentiation and the protocol between Board duties and the duties of the Chief Executive.</p> <p>Brittany mentioned that it is important to have prior teachers on the Board. Need staff to keep trust in the Board for people to feel safe.</p>	
Discussion and possible action to accept resignation of board member Brittany Battle effective June 30, 2025	<p>Cheryl Spatz made the following motion – to accept resignation of board member Brittany Battle effective June 30, 2025.</p> <p>Steve Witthoeft seconded the motion.</p> <p>Brittany still wants to still help with fundraising where possible/able.</p>	<p>Aye – Steve Witthoeft Recuse – Brittany Battle Aye – Cheryl Spatz Naye – Reginald Laister</p> <p>Motion passed.</p>
Discussion regarding future Charter Representative position	<p>Anne & Brittany are the current Charter Representatives who are in direct communication with the Charter Board. The Representative does not need to be a Board member.</p> <p>Deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
Focus Areas		
Ways to engage for 2024-2025 (Quarter 3 & 4)	<p>Cognia accreditation review, Tuesday 4/22 (<i>needs at least 1 board member to attend</i>) - either Steve a.m. or Reggie p.m.</p> <p>Teacher Appreciation Week 5/5 - 5/9</p> <p>Sky School 5/6 - 5/9</p> <p>Prom 5/10</p> <p>Graduation 5/22 @ Leo Rich Theatre</p>	N/A
Committee planning and reporting on progress	No comment.	N/A
Public Comment	<p>Greg Cooper Brett Dodds Kieran McGann Lo Sanders</p> <p>Brett - Northwest has been in the building for 20-yr and the building has not been maintained as it should be. Lack of timely response from Leasing company. Issues: carpet, sinks leaking, return pump failed, etc. Walter had known about water heater leaks and has failed to be held responsible for the disrepairs.</p> <p>Kieran - believes that “nepotism” clause language needs to be reviewed and revised.</p>	N/A

	<p>Greg - believes it would be helpful if Northwest could be informed when things are being fixed and be aware of what the “losing 301 moneys in letter of employments”, water heater concerns, should admin meet with staff prior to/after board meetings, what capacity is there to share what happens in these meetings, procedures needed for staff to share concerns, new student onboarding for retention how do we build enrollments?</p> <p>Lo - feels the division between the two campuses, especially seen at the staff meetings. wants meetings without administration present.</p>	
Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at 9:14am	N/A

Next Board Meeting scheduled: May 20, 2025, 7:30am-9am.

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