

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION
BOARD MEETING
2:00pm–5:00pm PST
February 28, 2013**

Rocketship Education National Office, Perseus Room
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Redwood City, CA 94065

Dial-in Conference Number: (650) 479-3207

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- 1. Call to Order (2:00pm)**
- 2. Public Comment on Off-Agenda Items (2:05pm)**
- 3. Public Comment on Agenda Items (2:10pm)**
- 4. Consent Items (2:15pm)**
 - a. Minutes
 - i. Approve minutes (see [Exhibit A](#)) from the November 6, 2012 Board Meeting
 - b. Governance
 - i. Adopt revised Rocketship Education Bylaws (see [Exhibit B](#)) consistent with direction provided by Board on November 6, 2012 (Item 4(c)) and as otherwise required for multi-state operations
 - ii. Adopt revised Rocketship Education Articles of Incorporation (see [Exhibit C](#)) as required for multi-state operations
 - iii. Authorize staff to prepare and submit to authorizer a material revision for the Rocketship Mateo Sheedy charter to seek approval for changes in school model, bell schedule, enrollment level, lottery policy, parent advisory board, and student disciplinary policy
 - iv. Authorize Secretary and Chief Executive Officer to sign Agreement of Merger (see [Exhibit D](#) for substantially final form) and any other document

- reasonably necessary to effectuate Rocketship Education absorption of Rocketship Two Elementary School, Rocketship Three Elementary School, Rocketship Four Elementary School, Rocketship Five Elementary School, Rocketship Seven Elementary School, Rocketship Eight Elementary School
- v. Authorize Secretary and Chief Executive Officer to sign any document reasonably required to accept transfer of the charter currently held by Rocketship Six Elementary School, consistent with direction provided by Board on November 6, 2012 (Item 7(c))
 - vi. Consent to receipt of electronic communication for notices of Board Meetings as required by Section 20 of the California Corporations Code
 - vii. Approve submission of Local Education Agency (LEA) Plan for FMSD2 charter (Sylvandale) to California Department of Education and authorize Board Chair to sign any documents reasonably related to such submission.
- c. Greenlighting
- i. Approve committing Rocketship Education to abide by all public records laws required under Texas law if necessitated by virtue of future relationship with entity operating schools in Texas and authorize Chief Executive Officer to sign any agreement reasonably necessary to effectuate such commitment
- d. Financial
- i. Approve FY 2011-2012 consolidated audited financial statements of Rocketship Education and affiliates and associated report of independent auditor Vicenti, Lloyd & Stutzman LLP (see Exhibit E), as recommended by advisory Audit Committee on November 28, 2012,
 - ii. Approve Vicenti, Lloyd & Stutzman LLP for FY 2012-2013 audit, as recommended by advisory Audit Committee on November 28, 2012,
- e. Internal Policies
- i. Approve contract signing policy (see Exhibit F) drafted pursuant to direction provided by the Board on November 6, 2012 (Item 4(d)(i))
 - ii. Approve expenditure approval limits to establish check signing limits (see Exhibit G) drafted pursuant to direction provided by the Board on November 6, 2012 (Item 4(d)(ii))
 - iii. Approve travel policy (see Exhibit H) drafted pursuant to direction provided by the Board on November 6, 2012 (Item 4(d)(iii))
 - iv. Direct staff to prepare a parent advisory policy for later Board approval intended to facilitate effective feedback opportunities for parents and community members after governance reorganization is complete
- f. Compensation
- i. Approve change of title for Kate Mehr (VP Bay Area to Chief Schools Officer) and increasing compensation (\$175,000 to \$205,000), effective January 1, 2013

5. Closed Session¹ Items (2:15pm-2:55pm)²

- a. Discuss Personnel Matters related to CEO Transition
- b. Discuss Anticipated Litigation related to Tamien Project

¹ As permitted by California Government Code Section 54957(b)(1) and 54956.6

² Closed session conference number, WebEx information, and exhibits will be made available separately to board members

- c. Discuss Personnel Matters related to School Leader Evaluations

6. Report of actions taken in Closed Session (if required) (2:55pm)

7. Discussion Items (2:55pm-4:55pm)

- a. Rocketship Education Leadership Transition, Board and Committee Appointments, and Committee Delegation (2:55pm-3:05pm)
 - i. Discuss CEO Resignation and Account Removal
 - 1. Accept resignation of John Danner as CEO and delegate authority to Secretary and CEO to take any action reasonably necessary to remove John Danner from Rocketship Education bank accounts
 - ii. CEO Designation
 - 1. Appoint Preston Smith as CEO
 - iii. Board Member Resignations
 - 1. Accept resignation of Shawn Carolan and Jeff Wetzler from Board
 - iv. Board Member Appointments
 - 1. Appoint Eric Resnick and Eric Scroggins to Board
 - v. Officers
 - 1. Appoint Al Crites as Treasurer
 - vi. Committees
 - 1. Appoint Marcus Cole, Eric Scroggins, Alex Terman, and Kim Smith to Achievement Committee
 - 2. Appoint Eric Resnick to Business Committee
 - 3. Appoint Fred Ferrer, Al Crites, and Kim Smith to Executive Committee
 - vii. Delegated Duties
 - 1. Adopt motion (attached as Exhibit I) delegating specific authority to board committees
- b. CEO Update (3:05pm-3:50pm)
 - i. Discussion with Board on state of organization, expansion plans, and talent development
 - 1. See CEO Report attached as Exhibit J
 - 2. See Rocketship Expansion 2.0 summary attached as Exhibit N
 - 3. See Rocketship Expansion 2.0 presentation attached as Exhibit O
 - 4. See Achievement Committee Mid-Year Achievement Results attached as Exhibit P
 - 5. See Instructional and Leadership Pipeline summary attached as Exhibit Q
 - 6. National Dashboard Update attached as Exhibit R
- c. Greenlighting for 2014-2015 (3:50pm-4:45pm)
 - i. Review Greenlighting Proposal (attached as Exhibit K) for Nashville, Tennessee (one school), Milwaukee, Wisconsin (one school), and Bay Area, California (four schools, including one restart)
 - ii. Hear reports from committee greenlighting discussions
 - iii. Adopt motion approving new region and school site greenlighting recommendations consistent with Exhibit K, as recommended by Executive Committee on February 19, 2013

- iv. Adopt financing resolutions for Tamien Project (attached as Exhibit L) and Sylvandale Project (attached as Exhibit M)
- d. Feedback from Board to President (4:45pm-4:55pm)

8. Adjourn (4:55pm-5:00pm)

During Public Comment Open Forum, you may speak to the Committee on any item that is on the agenda, and you may also speak on items that are not on the agenda. Please write your name and contact information on the Open Forum speaker list provided to the public, if you wish to address the Committee. Each speaker has three (3) minutes to speak. Please be advised that, by law, the Committee is unable to discuss or take action on issues presented during Open Forum. According to State Law (the Brown Act) items must first be noticed on the agenda before any discussion or action. **THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE:** Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice. **REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY:** Pursuant to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any individual with a disability who requires reasonable accommodation to attend or participate in this committee meeting may request assistance by contacting Josh Mukhopadhyay (866) 806-0920 x107.