CHARTER SCHOOL

GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES – Regular Board Meeting

Meeting of Friday, April 24, 2026 at 5:30PM

5465 El Cajon Blvd., San Diego, CA 92115 (Library)

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"Providing a strong educational foundation to all students who are in need of direction and support in learning English and finding their way in a new culture."

Mission: Iftin Charter School provides students in grades TK-8 an academically rigorous, common core aligned curriculum, supplemented with a technology intensive program in a student centered, safe and caring learning environment. ICS addresses the needs of a diverse group of students, their families and communities by building on the strengths of the students' cultural heritage and life experiences. ICS students are educated and enlightened to become successful, lifelong learners and valuable members of the global community.

Approval of Agenda: Faisal Ali

WELCOME GUESTS / CALL TO ORDER 5:30 AM

1. CALL TO ORDERs

Board President Faisal Ali called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

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2. ROLL CALL

Present:

- Faisal Ali – President
- Rahmo Abdi – Secretary
- Mulki Hersi – Treasurer
- Dr. Joseph Johnson – Member
- Ibrahim Hassan – Member
- Rashid Mursal – Member

Absent:

- None

A quorum was established.

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Ibrahim Hassan
Second: Mulki Hersi

Vote:

- Ayes – 6
- Nays – 0
- Abstentions – 0

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were presented.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered Closed Session to conduct a Public Employee Performance Evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Government Code §54957.

CONSENT ITEMS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. CEO Report

The CEO provided updates regarding school operations and instructional programs, including:

- Ongoing CAASPP testing and student academic performance initiatives.
- Attendance trends and intervention efforts.
- End-of-year activities, promotion planning, and graduation preparations.
- Staffing updates and recruitment efforts for the 2026–2027 school year.
- Expanded support services for English Learners and students requiring intervention.

Board members thanked administration and staff for their continued commitment to student success.

B. Monthly Financial Board Report

AJ Wassell of CSMC presented the financial report through March 31, 2026.

Key highlights included:

- Enrollment remained at 573 students with ADA budgeted at 539.
- Current ADA was trending at approximately 545.
- Year-to-date revenues totaled approximately $7.89 million.

- Year-to-date expenditures totaled approximately $8.34 million.
- Net deficit remained significantly better than budget projections.
- Cash balance was approximately $3.87 million.
- Liquidity ratio remained healthy at 1.6.
- The school maintained sufficient reserves to meet operational obligations.

Board members discussed ADA trends, restricted funding compliance requirements, and fiscal planning for the upcoming school year.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Approval of Updated Policies

a. Admissions and Enrollment Policy

Motion: Rashid Mursal
Second: Rahmo Abdi

Vote:

- Ayes – 6
- Nays – 0
- Abstentions – 0

Motion carried.

b. Conflict of Interest Policy

Motion: Dr. Joseph Johnson
Second: Mulki Hersi

Vote:

- Ayes – 6
- Nays – 0
- Abstentions – 0

Motion carried.

2. Approval and Ratification of ELOP Compensation Structure and Oversight Stipends

The Board reviewed the proposed ELOP Compensation Structure and Oversight Stipends. Following discussion, the Board approved the item with the condition that oversight stipends shall not exceed the approved amount and shall end at the conclusion of the 2025–2026 school year.

Motion: Ibrahim Hassan
Second: Rashid Mursal

Vote:

- Ayes – 6
- Nays – 0
- Abstentions – 0

Motion carried.

3. Approval of ELOP Compensation Framework

The Board reviewed the overall ELOP compensation framework and implementation plan.

Motion: Mulki Hersi
Second: Rahmo Abdi

Vote:

- Ayes – 6
- Nays – 0
- Abstentions – 0

Motion carried.

REPORT TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session.

No reportable action.

ADVANCED PLANNING

The next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting will be held on Friday, May 22, 2026 at 5:30 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.