



GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA - Special Meeting

Meeting of Friday, March 20, 2020, 6:00PM

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“Provide all students with personalized, challenging, academic programs, which develop 21st Century skills necessary to become active and effective global citizens via a caring, interactive, project-based learning environment that emphasizes culture, character, compassion, and personal values.”

Mission: Iftin Charter School provides students in grades TK-8 an academically rigorous, common core aligned curricula, 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.

WELCOME GUESTS / CALL TO ORDER 5:30PM

Roll Call

Faisal Ali _____	President
Joe Udall _____	Secretary
Mulki Hersi _____	Treasurer
Rahmo Abdi _____	Member
Ibrahim Hassan _____	Member

PUBLIC HEARING

This is the appropriate point in the meeting for any members of the audience to speak on matters only on this special agenda. If they wish to address the Board, they are requested, prior to the meeting, to submit to the Secretary of the Board their names and the subject on which they wish to speak. Time is limited to three minutes for each individual. Individuals wishing to comment on items on the present agenda may do so during this portion of the meeting. Complaints about specific personnel are not appropriate for public session. Please submit any complaints to the Board Secretary in writing.

REGULAR SESSION

I. Discussion Items

- A. Emergency power for the Principal during the current pandemic state



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II. Action Items

- A. Resolution of the Board Of Directors of Iftin Charter School Recognizing Existence of Emergency Conditions and Authorizing Principal to Take Any and All Necessary Actions to Respond Effectively to COVID-19 to Best Ensure the Continuation of Public Education and Health and Safety of Students and Staff, including the Temporary Closure of School.

Motion _____ Second _____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

I. CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(4)): (1 matter)

II. Reportable Action

III. Advanced Planning

The next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting is to be held on **Friday, April 10, 2020** at 5:30 pm in the Iftin TK-8 Library at 5465 El Cajon Blvd, San Diego.

IV. Adjournment

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Office of Iftin Charter School at (619)265-2411. Notification of 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the School to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to that meeting (28 CFR 35.102.35.104) Additional questions can be sent to Board Secretary, Joe Udall, at mrudalliftin@gmail.com

RESOLUTION NO. 0923845

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IFTIN CHARTER SCHOOL RECOGNIZING EXISTENCE OF EMERGENCY CONDITIONS AND AUTHORIZING PRINCIPAL TO TAKE ANY AND ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO COVID-19 TO BEST ENSURE THE CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND SAFETY OF STUDENTS AND STAFF, INCLUDING THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF SCHOOL

WHEREAS, to help California communities prepare for the growing concerns over the global outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020 to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the Governor additionally issued Executive Order N-25-20 on March 12, 2020 and various other executive orders on the topic of COVID-19, and further orders are expected;

WHEREAS, the California Legislature passed Senate Bill 117 (2019) and the Governor signed the emergency legislation on March 17, 2020 in light of COVID-19 that, among things, allow public schools to receive state funding despite temporary closure and interruption of services to students;

WHEREAS, school districts across California, including the Los Angeles Unified School District and San Diego Unified School District, have similarly declared that emergency conditions exist and have granted staff the authority to respond appropriately to COVID-19 as the situation develops, and the majority of school districts in California, including the San Francisco Unified School District, Los Angeles Unified School District, and San Diego Unified School District have decided to temporarily close schools to students;

WHEREAS, as set forth in the joint guidance from the California Department of Education (“CDE”) and California Department of Public Health (“DPH”), school decisions, including any decision to close school, should be informed by state, local, and national public health departments and must be determined by the specific circumstances in local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, now, this Board of Directors of Iftin Charter School (“Charter School”), recognizing that emergency conditions exist at Charter School and the situation is rapidly changing, seeks to authorize the Principal (“Administrator”) or designee to take any and all necessary actions to respond effectively to COVID-19 to best ensure the continuation of public education and health and safety of students and staff, including the temporary closure of Charter School.

NOW, THEREFORE, this Board of Directors of Charter School does hereby find, resolve, and order as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. Informed by state, local, and national public health departments and circumstances at Charter School, the Administrator of Charter School or designee is hereby authorized to take any and all necessary or desirable actions to respond effectively to COVID-19 to best ensure the continuation of public education and the health and safety of students and staff, including, but not limited to the following decisions:

- i. to close Charter School to the extent and for as long as reasonably necessary, revise the academic calendar(s) accordingly, and, to the extent necessary, work with CDE, Charter School's charter authorizer, and all other parties as appropriate to ensure continued funding;
- ii. to excuse absences of students and staff without any requirement of a note or order from a physician;
- iii. to authorize take-home work or other instructional methods, including independent study or distance learning to the extent appropriate, on a temporary basis until public health concerns are alleviated;
- iv. to encourage social distancing measures whether school is open or closed, including discouraging students and staff from gathering, and canceling group activities or events;
- v. to temporarily revise or waive Charter School's personnel policies and procedures, including remote work, medical leave, sick leave, and other leave of absence policies, if appropriate;
- vi. to provide for continued student meals, medical and social services, as may be appropriate, or to work with community partners to establish and/or refer families to alternate mechanisms for these to continue;
- vii. to use appropriate disinfectants and additional cleaning protocols at the school, in consultation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines, including any additional steps needed for the school to reopen;
- viii. to take any and all other necessary actions recommended by the Governor, CDE, DPH, and/or Charter School's local public health departments;
- ix. to ensure timely and ongoing communication with staff, students, parents, families, and all stakeholders; and
- x. to enter into contracts necessary to effectuate the foregoing, subject to future Board ratification if inconsistent with school organization budgets.

Section 3. The Administrator or his or her duly delegated representative (each an "Authorized Officer"), acting alone or together, is(are) hereby authorized and directed to take or a cause to be taken all such other actions as may be required to fulfill the purposes of the foregoing resolutions.

Section 4. Any actions the Administrator has taken consistent with this resolution but prior to this Board action, including the temporary closure of Charter School from March 16, 2020 through April 6, 2020, are hereby ratified in their entirety.

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SECRETARY’S CERTIFICATE

I, _____, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Iftin Charter School, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, County of San Diego, California, hereby certify as follows:

The attached is a full, true, and correct copy of the resolutions duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of Iftin Charter School which was duly held on _____, 2020, at which meeting all of the members of the Board of Directors had due notice and at which a quorum thereof was present; and at such meeting such resolutions were adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I have carefully compared the same with the original minutes of such meeting on file and of record in my office; the attached resolution is a full, true, and correct copy of the original resolution adopted at such meeting and entered in such minutes; and such resolution has not been amended, modified, or rescinded since the date of its adoption, and the same is now in full force and effect.

WITNESS my hand on _____, 2020.

Secretary of the Board of Directors of
Iftin Charter School