

MINUTES

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

ARARAT CHARTER SCHOOL

6555 Sylmar Ave., Van Nuys

March 21, 2018
6:30 pm

Regular Meeting

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS

The Ararat Charter School (“School”) welcomes your participation at the School’s Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Governing Board (“Board”) is to conduct the affairs of the School in public. We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School. To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided.

1. Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.
2. “Request to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda or non-agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.”
3. “Oral Communications” is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda. However, due to public meeting laws, the Board can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action. These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. The Board may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.
4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your blue request form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes when the Board discusses that item.
5. When addressing the Board, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.
6. Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda. Once such an item is properly agendized and publicly noticed, the Board can respond, interact, and act upon the item.

Americans with Disabilities

The Ararat Charter School adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you require special accommodations, or more information about accessibility, please contact us at least 48 hours in advance at 818-994-2904, or agharibi@araratcharterschool.com. All efforts will be made for reasonable accommodations.

I. OPEN SESSION

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson, Shakeh Avakian at 6:35 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Shakeh Avakian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marlena Gonzalez	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
John Henderson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Silva Karayan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hermine Mahseredjian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Giuliana Velarde	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rosemarie Shamieh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 28, 2018

Recommend approval with correction of spelling of Ms. Shamieh’s first name throughout report.

Motion by: Silva Karayan

Seconded by: Rosemarie Shamieh

Vote: Approved unanimously

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

None

B. FOR INFORMATION: PRINCIPAL’S REPORT. (Attachment)

This is a presentation of information that has occurred since the previous Board meeting. (Per attached report)

- 1. Update on school calendar of events**
- 2. Update on school testing**
- 3. Update on Prop 39**
- 4. Update on school lottery for 18-19**
- 5. Update on facilities**
- 6. Update on audit of unduplicated counts**

Principal Eduardo Villela presented his report to the Board. (See attached).

Per Board request, Mr. Villela reached out to Sarah Kollman, from YMC, for more information on the Prop 39 usage agreement. Currently ACS is allotted 21% of the allotted space for a parent center and library usage on the Erwin campus. Currently, ACS has not able to use the library since no librarian has been hired by LAUSD per their requirements.

Mr. Villela explained the new lottery process which will be used this year and will send Board members the exact date of the Lottery in Mid-May.

D. FOR INFORMATION: FINANCIAL REPORT

This is an update from what has transpired since the last board meeting.

1. Budget to date

Mr. Levi Kirkland from Edtec presented the monthly forecast and budget update for ACS. (See attached)

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board votes on them. The Principal recommends approval of all consent agenda items.

Check Register Approval

Recommend approval

Motion by: Silva Karayan
Seconded by: Hermine Mahseredjian
Vote: Approved unanimously

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval is Requested for 2nd Interim Financial Report due to LAUSD

Recommend approval

Motion by: Silva Karayan
Seconded by: Hermine Mahseredjian
Vote: Approved unanimously

V. INFORMATION ITEMS/POSSIBLE ACTION:

- A. Update on Form 700** – Due April 2; submitted on March 22, 2018
- B. Update on purchasing of IPADS** – 30 iPads plus 1 cart for each campus, for a total of 60 iPads and 2 carts, were purchased.
- C. Association Update** – June 12 luncheon

VII CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned to Closed Session at 8:02 pm to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

Public Employee Employment (G.C. 54957)

Title:

- **Certificated Personnel Update**
- **Classified Updates**
- **Update on Certificated/Management**

VIII. PUBLIC SESSION – REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Governing Board will report out any action taken in closed session, if any.

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 8:37pm .

No action was taken.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The Board will consider items for future Board Meeting Agendas.

- Update on website
- Update Board Committees
- Update on Wilkinson Audit

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE:

April 25, 2018

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm