# El Paso Leadership Academy Minutes

## **Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

A Regular meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of El Paso Leadership Academy (EPLA), a Texas non-profit corporation (the "Company"), was held at the EPLA Flagship Campus, 1918 Texas Avenue, on August 26, 2025, at 12:40 PM. Toni Mizdal, President of the Board, served as chairman and presided over the meeting. Minutes were recorded by Toni Mizdal and Joanna McCloud.

**Board members in Attendance:** Toni Mizdal, Soledad Basoco, Matt Kerr, Jose Gallardo, and Tony Casas.

**Staff in Attendance:** Omar Yanar, Maggie Peacock, Ymelda YHerrera (YYY, virtual), Joanna McCloud (virtual)

**Guests in Attendance: None** 

#### First Business Item: Call to Order

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 12:40 PM. A quorum, consisting of the majority of directors of the Company, was present and ready for the transaction of business.

**Second Business Item: Open Forum** 

Discussion topics: None

Third Business Item: Approval of Board Minutes

None

Fourth Business Item: Closed Executive Session

None

**Fifth Business Item: Finance** 

#### Section A: Action/Discussion Items

- 1. Budget proposal with enrollment numbers
  - a. EPLA must have 715 students in order to hire additional staff. A slight increase in enrollment is expected in the next two weeks as Juarez students will go back to school.
- 2. Onboarding Marcela Andres and Myra
  - a. Marcela and Myra perform grassroots recruitment of students.
  - a. There is a guarantee of 50 additional students or nonpayment for services.

#### 3. 2025-2026 Final Budget Amendment

b. It was decided to revisit this later.

#### **Section B: Consent Agenda**

None

#### Section C: Information/Action

- 1. The 2025-2026 700-Student Budget
  - a. Matt Kerr moves to approve, Joe Gallardo seconds. All are in favor and the motion carries.

### **Sixth Business Item: Adjournment**

1. Matt Kerr moves to approve, Joe Gallardo seconds. All are in favor and the motion carries. The meeting is adjourned at 1:10 p.m. The next meeting of the Board will be held on **September 16, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. at the Central Office**.

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board of Directors should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board of Directors is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., or Texas Government Code 418.183 (f), will be held by the School Board at the date, hour, and place given in this Notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice as the School Board may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act on August 22, 2025 at the Central office, East Campus and Flagship Campus buildings.