

## **Rocketship Public Schools National Board of Directors Meeting (2024-25 Q3) (Wednesday, March 5, 2025)**

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### **1. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call to order**

At 12:30pm, Mr. Jordan took roll call. Without a quorum of board members present, Mr. Jordan called the meeting to order.

*Present:* Alex Terman, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Hugo Castaneda, Julie Miller, Louis Jordan

*Absent:* April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Joey Slotter, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano

#### **B. Public comment on off-agenda items**

At 12:31pm, Mr. Jordan called for public comment on off-agenda items. No members of the public provided comment.

### **2. Information Items**

#### **A. Administrative Training for Board Members re: National Strategy**

At 12:32pm, information item 2(A) was presented. No action was taken.

At 12:41pm, Yolanda Bernal Samano joined the meeting.

### **3. Break**

At 2:33pm, the board took a break.

### **4. Re-opening Meeting**

#### **A. Call to order**

At 3:04pm, Mr. Jordan took roll call. With a quorum of board members present, Mr. Jordan re-opened the meeting.

*Present:* Alex Terman, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

*Absent:* April Taylor, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Hugo Castaneda, Michelle Mercado, Ray Raven

#### **B. Public comment on off-agenda items**

At 3:06pm, Mr. Jordan called for public comment on off-agenda items. No members of the public provided comment.

At 3:07pm, April Taylor and Ray Raven joined the meeting.

### **5. Consent Items**

#### **A. Approve minutes from the January 17, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors**

#### **B. Approve Revised Title IX Policy and Grievance Procedures**

#### **C. Reappoint Brian Kilb to the Rocketship Board of Directors for a term of 2 years through March 2027**

#### **D. Ratify the appointment of Camilla Jensen and Ashanti Herndon to the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees and to the DC Business Committee for a two-year term through March 2027**

#### **E. Appoint Camilla Jensen as an advisor to the Rocketship Business Committee for a two-year term through March 2027**

#### **F. Ratify the appointment of Jennifer Lopez to the Rocketship Wisconsin Board of Trustees and Wisconsin Achievement Committee for a two-year term through January 2027**

#### **G. Appoint Tamara Peterson to the Rocketship Board of Directors and the Rocketship CA Board Committee for a two-year term through March 2027**

At 3:07pm, Mr. Terman made a motion to approve the consent items. This motion was seconded by Mr. Stanger, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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### **6. Information Items**

#### **A. Mission Moment**

At 3:11pm, information item 6(A) was presented. No action was taken.

#### **B. Board Updates**

At 3:15pm, information item 6(B) was presented. No action was taken.

### **7. Action Items: Finance - Review and Approval**

#### **A. Approve 2024-25 Budget Education Protection Account fund spending plans for Rocketship Mateo Sheedy, Rocketship Si Se Puede, Rocketship Los Suenos, Rocketship Mosaic, Rocketship Discovery Prep, Rocketship Brilliant Minds, Rocketship Alma, Rocketship Spark, Rocketship Fuerza, Rocketship Rising Stars, Rocketship Redwood City, Rocketship Futuro, and Rocketship Delta Prep**

#### **B. Acknowledge and approve the Second Interim Reports for all California Rocketship schools: Rocketship Mateo Sheedy, Rocketship Si Se Puede, Rocketship Los Suenos, Rocketship Mosaic, Rocketship Discovery Prep, Rocketship Brilliant Minds, Rocketship Alma, Rocketship Spark, Rocketship Fuerza, Rocketship Rising Stars, Rocketship Redwood City Prep, Rocketship Futuro, and Rocketship Delta Prep**

#### **C. Approve CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) as auditor for the fiscal year 2024-25 consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities, as recommended by the Rocketship Audit Committee**

**D. Approve Resolution #2025-01 to delegate authority to the Rocketship Audit Committee to approve the IRS Form 990 for year ending 6/30/24**

At 3:58pm, the board discussed action items 7(A-B).

At 4:00pm, Mr. Sisnett made a motion to approve the action items 7(A-B). This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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At 4:02pm, the board discussed action items 7(C-D).

At 4:06pm, Mr. Terman made a motion to approve the action items 7(C-D). This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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**8. Action Items: Tennessee Operations - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve 2025 Amended Charter Agreement for Rocketship Dream Community Prep**

**B. Approve 2025 Amended Charter Agreement for Rocketship Nashville Northeast Elementary**

**C. Approve the Renewed Charter School Agreement for Rocketship United Academy**

At 4:07pm, the board discussed action items 8(A-C).

At 4:08pm, Ms. Miller made a motion to approve the action items 8(A-C). This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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**9. Action Items: California Operations - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve Rocketship Brilliant Minds Memorandum of Understanding and addendum with Santa Clara County Office of Education**

**B. Approve Rocketship Alma Academy Memorandum of Understanding and addendum with Santa Clara County Office of Education**

**C. Approve Rocketship Si Se Puede Memorandum of Understanding and addendum with Santa Clara County Office of Education**

At 4:08pm, the board discussed action items 9(A-C).

At 4:09pm, Mr. Sisnett made a motion to approve the action items 9(A-C). This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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**10. Action Items: Human Resources - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve the Workplace Violence Prevention Plan (CA)**

At 4:10pm, the board discussed action item 10(A).

At 4:11pm, Mr. Sanchez made a motion to approve the action item 10(A). This motion was seconded by Ms. Miller, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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**11. Action Items: Operations - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve 2025 School Safety Plan for all Rocketship schools**

At 4:12pm, the board discussed action item 11(A).

At 4:14pm, Ms. Detweiler made a motion to approve the action item 11(A). This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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**12. Information Items**

**A. 2024-25 Mid-Year NWEA Data and Response**

At 4:15pm, the board discussed information item 12(A). No action was taken.

### **13. Break**

At 4:34pm, the board took a break.

### **14. Information Items**

#### **A. Staff Satisfaction Survey Results Update & Response**

At 4:47pm, the board discussed information item 14(A). No action was taken.

#### **B. Tennessee Four Greenlighting - Consideration and Possible Approval of the Opening of a Fourth School in Tennessee in 2027-2027**

At 5:15pm, the board discussed information item 14(B).

At 6:05pm, Mr. Jordan called for a motion to:

1.

Greenlight the opening of Tennessee Four in the summer of 2026 provided the Tennessee Four charter petition is authorized;

2.

Authorize Tennessee Regional and National NeST leadership and staff to expend resources according to Rocketship fiscal guidelines to effect the opening of Tennessee Four;

3.

Authorize both Tennessee Regional and National NeST leadership and staff to take all necessary and appropriate steps to support the timely and successful opening of Tennessee Four.

At 6:06pm, Mr. Sisnett made a motion to approve item 14(B). This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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### **15. Closed Session**

#### **A. Conference with Legal Counsel -- Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9. Number of cases: 1**

At 6:07pm, Ms. Miller made a motion to move to Closed Session. This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Malka Borrego, Mike Fox, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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At 6:22pm, Ms. Taylor left the meeting.

### **16. Agenda Items: Report Out**

#### **A. Public report on actions taken in closed session**

At 6:24pm, Mr. Jordan called the open session back to order and reported that no reportable actions were taken on item 15(A) during the closed session.

### **17. Break**

At 6:24pm, the board took a break.

At 6:24pm, Mr. Fox, Ms. Slotter, Mr. Sanchez, Mr. Sheth, and Mr. Kilb left the meeting.

### **18. Information Items**

#### **A. Group Discussion with Bay Area Parent Advisory Board and Parent Leaders**

At 6:46pm, the board discussed information item 18(A). No action was taken.

At 7:13pm, Ms. Borrego left the meeting.

**19. Adjourn**

At 7:37pm, Mr. Sisnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, Charmaine Detweiler, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Julie Miller, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

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Abstain: --