WELCOME TO THE BOARD MEETING
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2013-2014

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Lori Harkness, Campus Coordinator, Director, Early Childhood Lab
Erik Byker, Elementary Education, SFASU
Melanie Vardeman, Parent Representative
Weldon Beard, Community Representative

BOARD MEETINGS

REGULAR MEETINGS:
Date: Second Wednesday of quarterly months
Time: 12:00 PM
Location: Janice A. Pattillo Early Childhood Research Center, rm. 216

SPECIAL MEETINGS:
Special meetings may be set by the Board or the Board Chair any time and place convenient to the Board, provided notice of the meeting is posted 72 hours in advance, except for emergency situations as provided for by state law.

AGENDA:
The agenda for the meeting is developed by the Board Chair and the CEO. Materials relative to matters on the agenda to be considered by the Board are printed and delivered to the board members on the Friday before the meeting. The agenda is posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting on the SFA Charter School website and on the front doors of the SFA Charter School. A copy of the agenda is provided for those attending the Board meeting to help them follow the proceedings.
CONDUCT OF MEETINGS:

Meetings of the Board are presided over by the Board Chair, or in his/her absence, the CEO. A quorum of four members must be present for the Board to legally conduct business. By state law, meetings of the Board are open to the public except for those times when the Board, as allowed by state law, goes into executive session for:

1. discussion about the appointment, employment, evaluation or dismissal of employees, or hear complaints against employees.
2. consultation with its attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation and/or settlement offers.
3. holding student discipline hearings (unless an open hearing is requested in writing by the parent or guardian),
4. discussion about the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property or negotiate contracts for prospective gifts or donations.

Any action on matters discussed in executive session must be taken in open session. Therefore, following any executive session, the Board Chair will reopen the meeting to the public before any action is taken.

Meetings of the Board are, by law, open to the public. This means that members of the public are allowed to observe the Board as it deliberates and takes action on items on the posted agenda. While the meeting is a public meeting, it is not, however, a public forum in that members of the audience are not permitted to take part in the discussion and/or deliberations of the Board except during the time on the agenda set aside for recognition of guests and requests. This is the time which the Board has set aside to receive citizen comments. The Board may not, however, take any action on matters brought to their attention at this time other than to ask a question for clarification, or to request the administration to place the matter on a future agenda for consideration. Individuals wishing to address the Board during this time on the agenda are requested to complete the form below and present it to the Board Chair prior to the beginning of the meeting and to keep their comments to a maximum of three minutes. Groups of individuals having the same concern are requested to designate a single spokesperson for the group.

If you wish to address the Board on any topic, please complete this form and give it to the Board Chair prior to the beginning of the meeting.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

GROUP YOU REPRESENT (if any)

YOUR RELATIONSHIPS TO THE SFA Charter School:

_________ Parent of a Student
_________ Charter School Employee
_________ Community Member

SUBJECT ON WHICH YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: