

**NEW OPPORTUNITIES ORGANIZATION, INC.
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Meeting Location

**Family First Charter School
4953 Marine Avenue, Room C4, Lawndale, CA 90260**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017

OPEN SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.

(Prepared and distributed: 2/15/17)

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** – Clerk Carrillo called the meeting to order at 5:48pm.
 - a. FLAG SALUTE – Clerk Carrillo led the flag salute.
 - b. ROLL CALL – All members were present, except President Konig who had previously notified he had a scheduling conflict.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *There were no public comments.*

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Please note: 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. 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’s vote on them.

- a. CHECK REGISTER(S): November & December 2016, January 2017
- b. CREDIT CARD REGISTERS: December 2016, January 2017
- c. MINUTES: December 13, 2016

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Presentation – EdTec Financial Update – *Chang Patel from EdTec presented a financial update. Full report was in member’s digital packets. At this time she recommended the charters continue with a conservative approach until the May revise was out.*
- b. Presentation – WASC Update – *Education Director Hilger and Executive Director Guzman updated the board with details about the upcoming WASC Visitations to both charters, and provided members with digital copies of each charter’s self study. They also reported the initial pre-visits already held with Visitation Chairs for each charter school, and were looking forward to a great experience.*
- c. Presentation – Ollin Law MOU – *Executive Director Guzman gave details of the opportunity to partner with Ollin Law to expand reentry services and help formerly incarcerated students and others to expunge their records when possible, and overall be informed of their choices to re-enter society and be productive citizens.*
- d. Presentation – Public Charter Schools Grant Program (PCSGP) – *Education Director Hilger provided historical details about the public charter schools grant program.*
- e. Presentation – SARC – *Operations Director Rosas presented the current school accountability report card for each charter.*

6. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve 2015-16 School Accountability Report Card – New Opportunities Charter School

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

- b. Approve 2015-16 School Accountability Report Card – Family First Charter School

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

- c. Approve 2017-18 Audit Contract

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

- d. Approve Ollin Law MOU

Motion: Erlandson
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

e. Adjust instructional calendar for Family First Charter School

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

f. Approve Tardy Employee Policy effective March 1, 2017

Motion: Erlandson
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

g. Approve Public Charter Schools Grant Program spending plan

Motion: Erlandson
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

h. Approve College Readiness Grant New Opportunities Charter School

Motion: Erlandson
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos			
Carrillo			
Erlandson			
Vacant			

i. Approve College Readiness Grant Family First Charter School

Motion: Erlandson
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

j. Certification of Signatures

Motion: Camberos
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

k. Discuss Form 700 – *Operations Director Rosas reminded board members of their duty to file their statement of economic interests for 2016.*

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – *Member Erlandson reminded everyone to Vote during the upcoming county elections. During the Executive Director report, Member Erlandson mentioned that as part of reentry services it should be considered to inform recently released students, there are beds available for up to 120 days at a facility on Hindry Avenue in Inglewood.*

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – *Executive Director Guzman talked about enrollment trends at each charter and steps taken to improve enrollment. He also gave more details about what to expect for the WASC visitation, and the positive impact of the Audits results. He explained about new costs related to our partnership with the One Stop and how federal grants now require for all partners to share certain costs. He also explained that there will be a rent hike for the East L.A. office to possibly \$5000 to \$7000 per month, but negotiations are still going on. Executive Director Guzman talked about Linking to Employment Activities Pre-Release (LEAP) Grant which was obtained through our partnership with the One Stop to pay for specific services at Men’s Central Jail. He also talked about reentry activities particularly the new Art Class offered in Boyle Heights in partnership with Self Help Graphics. Classes will start in March, and will be provided once a week. The Executive Director mentioned that there are quarterly academic reports provided to the Sheriff’s department for their internal benchmark consideration. Speaking of the Sheriff’s*

department, he mentioned there was a recent change of the commanding Captain at EBI, and a new relationship will need to be developed. He announced there would be small graduation ceremony at Men's Central Jail on March 17. Lastly, he spoke about the possibility of hiring a marketing firm familiar with educational programs to manage the website.

9. ADJOURNMENT – *Treasurer Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 8:12pm. Next board meeting scheduled for April 13, 2017.*

Motion: Carrillo
Second: Camberos
Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig			
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		
Erlandson	X		
Vacant			

Respectfully submitted:

Lulu Camberos, Board Clerk