

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

Meeting Location

Family First Charter School
4953 Marine Avenue, Room C2, Lawndale, CA 90260

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2015

OPEN SESSION AT 6:30 P.M.

(Prepared and distributed: 10/5/2015)

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** *President Konig called the meeting to order at 6:40pm.*
 - a. **FLAG SALUTE** – *President Konig led the flag salute.*
 - b. **ROLL CALL** – *All members were present.*

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – *The board approved the agenda with no changes.*

Motion: Konig
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 3/0

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig	X		
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Charter employees Lesley Cruz, James Smith, Evelyn Lareau, Rafael Ramirez, Karen Martinez, spoke to the board. Each spoke in relation to their departments and highlighted their experiences teaching or providing other types of student support.*

4. PRESENTATION AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS.

Acceptance and Oath of Office – *President Konig introduced and appointed Mary Agnes Erlandson as Member of the Board. Ms Erlandson accepted and took Oath of Office.*

Motion: Konig
 Second: Camberos
 Vote:

Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain
Konig	X		
Camberos	X		
Carrillo	X		

5. 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. MINUTES: September 10, 2015
- b. Credit Card Usage Report
- c. Approval of Revision to New Opportunities Charter School 2015-16 instructional calendar

Motion: Carrillo
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 4/0

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

6. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Presentation – EdTec Financial Update – *Chang Patel from EdTec went over the financials for both charters. Members received a full report of the financial status in their board meeting packets.*

- b. Brown Act Training facilitated by Zavala Law Group, P.C. – *The Board was reminded that at the end of the meeting, Salomon Zavala would present this important training.*
- c. Potential participation in CalPERS. – *Members were informed of the possibility of the organization’s participation in CalPERS.*

Motion: Carrillo
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 4/0

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

7. DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve/Ratify Salary Schedules for Certificated Staff – *Executive Director, Paul Guzman, explained that in order to attract quality teachers, the charters must be competitive in its compensation offering. Local school districts, and charters were surveyed.*

Motion: Konig
 Second: Erlandson
 Vote: 4/0

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

- b. Certification of signatures 15-16

Motion: Carrillo
 Second: Camberos
 Vote: 4/0

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

8. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – *Lulu Camberos thanked everyone in attendance, and stated she appreciated the public participation in sharing their experiences as employees of the charter.*

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – *Paul Guzman reported that he was still looking for a new location for Family First Charter School, however it continues to be challenging to find such a location. He invited the Board of Directors to the Graduation inside Men’s Central Jail,*

10. ADJOURNMENT – *President Konig adjourned the meeting at 7:37pm.*

Motion: Camberos
Second: Erlandson
Vote: 4/0

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

Next Board Meeting: December 10, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Lulu Camberos, Board Clerk