

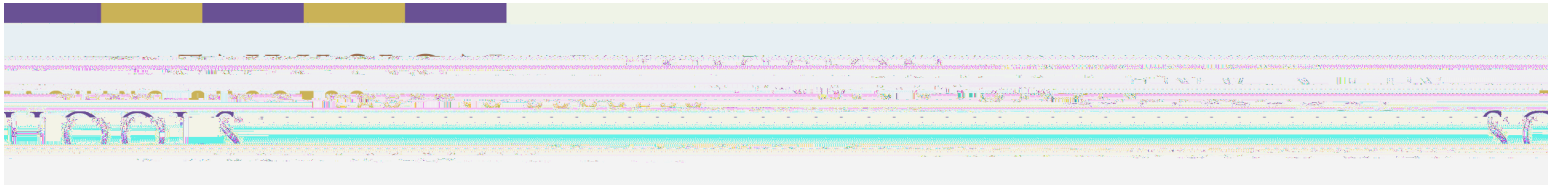
Meeting of the Board of Directors – Envision Schools  
436 14<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 920  
Oakland, CA 94612  
September 8, 2011

PRELIMINARY

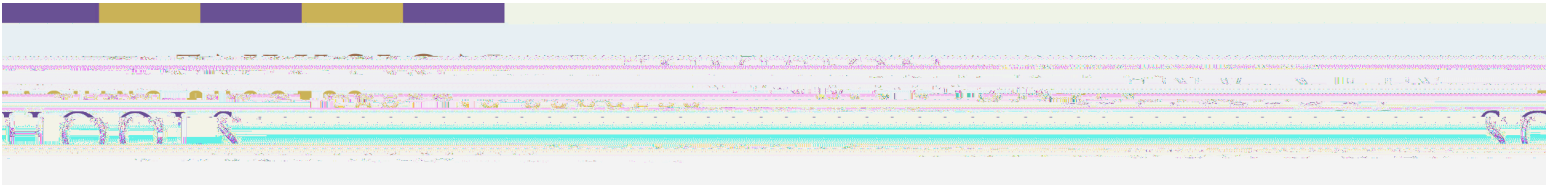
1. Call to Order
  - Natalie Walrond called the meeting to order at 4:05PM.
2. Roll Call
  - Natalie Walrond, Jim Wiggett, Helen Bulwik, Lawrie Mott, David Cooper, Larry Rosenberger, Greg Daily, Bob Lenz, Todd Aldrich, Sherri Pittman, and Amy Verneti
3. Approval of Minutes from June 24, 2011 Board Meeting
  - Motion: Jim
  - Second: Helen
  - 11 Yes 0 No

REPORTS

1. Board Chair Report
  - Natalie welcomed the board members to the meeting and began the meeting by highlighting the new board packet appendix, which now includes board goals, board agendas for the year, and the work plan, among other documents.
2. Superintendent Report
  - Gia Truong, the new Envision Schools superintendent, gave an overview of how the school year is unfolding at each school. She stated that the energy at Impact Academy is great, and that the students and staff are celebrating their API gains; Metro students are enjoying their new campus and the charter renewal process is moving ahead well; the Envision Academy campus has high-energy community spirit thanks in part to the new principal, Kirsten Grimm; students at City Arts & Tech are engaged in their classes and the school year is off to a great start.
  - Gia also gave the board a data sheet, which outlined teacher survey results from the previous school year. The board discussed the results of the survey. Greg asked for more clarification about how school culture affects ov



then stated that some donors want to know specific needs (programs, infrastructure, etc.) to fund. Lawrie stated that we need to first raise the approved budget before adding in extra programs or infrastructure improvement. Todd asked if the needed funds are for teacher salary or infrastructure, and Gia stated that funding to improve classrooms and



curriculum to align to California standards, which should improve our algebra proficiency. The board then discussed the new standards (Common Core State Standards). Erika stated that Envision Schools' curriculum and assessments are mostly aligned to the new standards, and should be fully aligned by the end of the school year.

- Gia closed the report by stating that all of our schools are off to great start in the new school year.

#### CLOSED SESSION

- Nothing to report.

#### ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting was adjourned at 6:35PM.