

**Minutes of the
CHIME Charter School
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, August 12th, 2025**

Members Present: Keisha R Carroll, Kate Kodet, Matt Rinnert, Marc Polansky, Beth Lasky

Members Absent: Josh Mark, Dawn Hamilton, Patrick Smith

Others Present: Erin Studer, Will Caplenor, Julie Himot

- I. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Marc Polansky
- II. Public Comment:** (3 minutes each)—Members of the public were given the opportunity to make a public comment. Each speaker, if any, was advised of the three (3) minute time limit and that ordinarily, Board members cannot respond to presentations on non-action items as no action can be taken on non-agenda items, but that the Board may advise that direction may be given to staff following a presentation later.
- A. M. Polansky made a public comment
- III. Consent Agenda** (5 min) The following item(s) may be adopted by a single vote of the board, or any item(s) may be pulled off of consent by any member's request (without any need for a vote to pull from consent).
- A. Approval of the minutes of the 6:00pm 6/10/2025 CHIME Charter School Board of Directors Meeting
- B. **M/S/P** Motion (K. Carroll, B. Lasky) to approve the Minutes of the CHIME Institute Board of Directors meeting held at 6:00pm 6/10/2025
1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 2. **VOTE:**
 3. **Yeses:** K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky
 4. **No's:** none
 5. **Abstentions:**
 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0
- C. Approval of the minutes of the 7:00pm 6/10/2025 CHIME Charter School Board of Directors Meeting
- D. **M/S/P** Motion (B. Lasky, M. Rinnert) to approve the Minutes of the CHIME Institute Board of Directors meeting held at 7:00pm 6/10/2025
1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 2. **VOTE:**
 3. **Yeses:** K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky
 4. **No's:** none
 5. **Abstentions:**
 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0
- IV. Approval of the Declaration of Need/Emergency for the teaching areas of Physical Education, CLAD certification, Transitional Kindergarten, and Speech and Language Pathology.**

- A. E. Studer explained the need for the Declaration of need/Emergency Physical Education, CLAD certification, Transitional Kindergarten, and Speech and Language Pathology.
- B. **M/S/P Motion** (M. Polansky, B. Lasky) to approve the Declaration of Need/Emergency for the teaching areas of
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

V. Approval of a Provisional Internship Permit in Physical Education - Engelberth

Alvarez-Simms

- A. There was a question from the board regarding the permit
- B. **M/S/P Motion** (M. Rinnert, M. Polansky) to approve the Provisional Internship Permit in Physical Education - Engelberth Alvarez-Simms
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

VI. Approval of an emergency waiver CLAD Permit for Sam Lee

- A. **M/S/P Motion** (B. Lasky, K. Carroll) to approve the emergency waiver CLAD Permit for Sam Lee
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

VII. Approval of a Provisional Internship Permit for Transitional Kindergarten Diqueasha

Bowen

- A. **M/S/P Motion** (K. Carroll, M. Rinnert) to approve Provisional Internship Permit for Transitional Kindergarten Diqueasha Bowen
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

VIII. Approval of the eligibility to teach TK students based on professional experience equivalent to 24 units in early education/child development for Diquesha Bowen

- A. There was a discussion about this item and the difference between the prior item.
- B. **M/S/P** Motion (K. Carroll, M. Rinnert) to approve Provisional Internship Permit for Transitional Kindergarten Diquesha Bowen
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

IX. Approval of the renewal of a Subsequent Variable Term Waiver in Speech Language Pathology for Justine Vivar

- A. E. Studer gave details on Justine's status
- B. There was a discussion about the SLP program
- C. **M/S/P** Motion (M. Polansky, K. Kodet) to approve the renewal of a Subsequent Variable Term Waiver in Speech Language Pathology for Justine Vivar
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

X. Approval of Local Assignment Options for the 2025-26 school year.

- A. E. Studer explained the local assignment options for electives. He also outlined each current elective.
- B. There was a discussion, clarifying the proposed approval.
- C. **M/S/P** Motion (M. Rinnert, K. Kodet) to approve the Local Assignment Options for the 2025-26 school year.
 - 1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
 - 2. **VOTE:**
 - 3. **Yeses:** K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky
 - 4. **No's:** none
 - 5. **Abstentions:**
 - 6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

XI. Approval of Independent Study Policy for the 2025-26 school year

- A. E. Studer explained the need for an independent study policy. There was a brief conversation about it.

B. **M/S/P Motion** (B. Lasky, M. Rinnert) to approve the Independent Study Policy for the 2025-26 school year

1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
2. **VOTE:**
3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
4. **No's:** none
5. **Abstentions:**
6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

XII. Approval to receive and file the 2024-25 LAUSD Annual Performance Visit Report

A. There was a brief presentation about the performance visit report.

1. There was a discussion about the renewal process and the report findings

B. **M/S/P Motion** (M. Rinnert, K. Kodet) to receive and file the 2024-25 LAUSD Annual Performance Visit Report

1. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made
2. **VOTE:**
3. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
4. **No's:** none
5. **Abstentions:**
6. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0

XIII. Charter School Board Report: The Board will be given an opportunity to review and ask questions about the report provided by the Executive Director of the Charter School program, summarizing any updates and actions taken since the last meeting and any recommendations to the Board

- A. E. Studer provided the Teacher assignment Monitoring Outcome Reporting Presentation and noted that there was a missed assignment last year.
- B. There was a discussion about enrollment.
- C. There was a discussion about the new administration

XIV. Adjournment: The next meeting will be held on the first Tuesday in April.

A. **M/S/P Motion** (M. Polansky) to adjourn the CHIME Institute Board meeting.

B. **Public comment:** There was an opportunity for public comment. None were made

1. **VOTE:**
2. **Yeses:** *K. Carroll, K. Kodet, M. Rinnert, B. Lasky, M. Polansky*
3. **No's:** none
4. **Abstentions:** none
5. **MOTION PASSES:** 5-0-0