



**EL CAMINO REAL ACADEMY**  
**GOVERNING COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING**  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2025 AT 7:00 A.M.**



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**MINUTES**

1. Preliminary Business
  - A. Call to Order  
7:06 a.m.
  - B. Roll Call  
Governing Council present: Marsha Majors (Google Meet), Vianey Veleta-Arambula (Google Meet), Brian Carter (Google Meet), Jim Nettle (Google Meet),  
Governing Council Absent: Gretchen Long  
Staff Present: Jennifer Mercer (Google Meet), Ian Johnson-Escudero (Google Meet),  
Denise Brown (Google Meet)
  - C. Approval of Agenda  
Marsha Majors motioned to approve the January 23, 2025 agenda removing items C &  
D. Vianey Veleta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.  
Removed items  
C: BARS  
D: Recommendation to Approve Purchases and Give Director Permission to Sign  
Contracts Over \$15,000.
  - D. Approval of Minutes  
Vianey Veleta-Arambula motioned to approve the December 30, 2024 minutes as presented. Jim Nettle seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.  
Marsha Majors abstained.
2. Public Comment  
None
3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS
  - A. Executive Director's Report (Discussion)  
Jennifer Mercer updated the council on: The APS debrief, financial and Special Education Fall site visit, the APS Desk Audit, APS onsite visit Feb 11, elementary staff professional development, and facilities.
  - B. Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements (Action)  
Vianey Veleta-Arambula motioned to approve the November 30, 2024 Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements as presented. Marsha Majors seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.



Marsha Majors motioned to approve the December 31, 2024 Financial Statements and Cash Disbursements as presented. Vianey Veleta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

- C. Policy and Bylaw Review (Discussion/Action)  
A plan to review bylaws page by page was discussed.
- D. Board Development (Discussion)  
GC training options were discussed.

4. Closed Session (closed to the public)

- A. Limited personnel matters pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1H(2)

Vianey Veleta-Arambula motioned to go into closed session at 7:30 a.m. Marsha Majors seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved. Jennifer Mercer was invited to join the closed session.

Jim Nettle re-convened the meeting at 7:59 a.m. and polled the council on matters discussed during closed session. The council members individually agreed that the only item discussed was related to: Limited personnel matters and Executive Director Evaluation pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1

5. Concluding Business

- I. Discussion of other business and issues  
None
- II. Announcements  
None
- III. Next Meeting Date  
February 20, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.
- IV. Adjournment

Marsha Majors motioned to adjourn at 8:02 a.m. Vianey Veleta-Arambula seconded the motion. Council members unanimously approved.

Mission Statement:

As a K-12 charter school, ECRA provides rich virtual and onsite project-based learning programs that focus on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, agriculture and math), SEL (social-emotional learning) and Community Connections that facilitate student agency, and empower students' to thrive with a growth mindset and learning habits that build success in all areas of their lives.