



MEETING MINUTES - Equipo Academy Governing Body

Equipo Academy Governing Body Regular Meeting Minutes

Equipo Academy
4131 E Bonanza Rd
Las Vegas, NV 89110

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Meeting

Meeting Date:	Monday, May 18, 2026
Start Time:	6:00 PM
End Time:	7:30 PM
Location:	Equipo Academy
Purpose:	Regular scheduled meeting

Chair Raymond Gonzalez - Present
Vice Chair Abby Habighorst - Present
Secretary Vivian Perdomo - Absent

Members:

Sayra Cordova - Absent
Jessica Recarey - Present
Monica Branzuel - Present
Maria Santiago - Present
Lorrie Bamford - Present
Joe Perez - Present

Agenda

1. Opening Items

1.A. Call to Order at 6 p.m.

1.B. Roll Call

1.C. Approval of the Minutes from the April 6, 2026 meeting (for possible action)

Moved: Bamford

Seconded: Branzuel

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

1.D. Approval of the Minutes from the April 18, 2026 retreat (for possible action)

Moved: Perez

Seconded: Bamford

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

1.E. Adoption of the Agenda for the May 18, 2026 meeting (for possible action)

Moved: Bamford

Seconded: Perez

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Financial Items

4.A. Budget for 2026-2027 (for discussion and possible action, 15 minutes)

Objective: The board will review a revised budget for 2026-2027, and approve the budget for submission.

Principal Emily Bassier reviewed high level changes from the 2025-2026 budget to the draft budget for 2026-2027, highlighting a decrease in revenue due to the CSP grant no longer being available in 2026-2027. Board members recommended looking into grant and fundraiser options within Las Vegas. The board asked the finance committee to consider how to handle reserves.

Principal Bassier shared that this budget will be subject to additional amendments.

The board voted to approve the draft budget for 2026-2027.

Moved: Bamford

Seconded: Habighorst

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

4.B. Consideration of Nevada Facilities Fund (for discussion, 10 minutes)

Objective: The board will review the work of the Nevada Facilities Fund with Nevada charter schools.

Principal Bassier shared that Nevada Facilities Fund partners with schools to facilitate the purchase and upgrade of facilities. When Equipo worked with them previously, their analysis indicated that our current lease cost less than a potential mortgage. The board questioned if revisiting a partnership with the Nevada Facilities Fund carried a cost; it does not.

4. Academic Reports and Presentations

5.A. Academic Committee Report (for discussion, 10 minutes)

Objective: The Academic Committee will share their takeaways from their May committee meeting.

Academic Committee chair Abby Habighorst shared that the academic committee met with Dean of Faculty Emma Davis to discuss current star ratings including WIDA, MAP, and ACT scores, including closing academic gaps for key subgroups. The Academic Committee also brainstormed collecting proactive data on discipline from sources such as LiveSchool and feedback from teachers.

5.B. School Calendar (for discussion and possible action, 10 minutes)

Objective: The board will review and approve the school calendar for 2026-2027.

Principal Bassier shared the calendar submitted to the state. The board voted to approve the calendar as submitted.

Moved: Habighorst

Seconded: Bamford

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

5. Governance Items

5.A. Preview of Officer Elections (for discussion, 5 minutes)

Objective: The Governance Committee will present an update from their May committee meeting, including the process for officer selection.

Governance Committee chair Raymond Gonzalez explained that the June board meeting will be the board's annual meeting and will include officer elections. He shared an idea to amend the bylaws to elect officers for 2 year terms.

5.B. Appointments of Board Members (for discussion and possible action, 5 minutes)

Objective: The board will update the language of the previous action items from approving the nomination of board members to approving the appointment of board members.

The board voted to retroactively appoint Monica Branzuel to the board on December 1, 2025.

Moved: Habighorst

Seconded: Recarey

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

The board voted to retroactively appoint Lorrie Bamford to the board on February 2, 2026

Moved: Habighorst

Seconded: Recarey

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

The board voted to retroactively appoint Maria Santiago to the board on February 2, 2026.

Moved: Habighorst

Seconded: Recarey

Status: Carried

Vote: All in favor

The board voted to retroactively appoint Joe Perez to the board on February 2, 2026.

Moved: Habighorst
Seconded: Recarey
Status: Carried
Vote: All in favor

5.C. Upcoming Committee Meetings and End-of-Year Events (for discussion, 5 minutes)

Objective: The board will review key dates for end-of-year events at Equipo.

The board reviewed the following key dates:

- Committee meetings
- Friday, May 29, Senior Signing Day on Equipo's campus at 1:45 p.m.
- Sunday, June 7, Graduation at the Clark County Amphitheater at 4 a.m.

6. Public Comment

No public comment.

7. Adjournment at 7:15 p.m.

Moved: Habighorst
Seconded: Bamford
Status: Carried
Vote: All in favor