

**MINUTES**  
**Excel Academy Rhode Island Board Meeting**  
**Friday, October 15, 2021 – 9:00 am**  
**One Financial Plaza - 18th Floor Providence, RI 02903**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Mayor Jorge Elorza, Channavy Chhay, Liz Giordano, Mayor Maria Rivera

**Board Members Absent:** Mayor Charles Lombardi, Carlene Fonseca, Chiv Heng

**Staff Attending:** Owen Stearns, Arthur Kaynor, Diane Cohen, Michaelle Larracuenta

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Elorza, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:14 am and presided over the meeting. Diane Cohen kept the minutes of the meeting.

**2. Roll Call**

Noted above

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Chhay motioned to approve the minutes from the 9.28.21 meeting of the Board and Giordano seconded.

All those in favor: Mayor Jorge Elorza, Channavy Chhay, Liz Giordano, Mayor Maria Rivera

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

**4. Team Building**

Michaelle led the group through a team-building exercise.

**5. Discussion and Action Items**

- a. Discussion: The Board discussed the enrollment policy. There was a discussion on the impact of the exemptions permitted by regulation.

Chhay motioned to approve the enrollment policy and was seconded by Mayor Rivera.

All those in favor: Mayor Jorge Elorza, Channavy Chhay, Liz Giordano, Mayor Maria Rivera

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

- b. Discussion: The Board discussed progress on the opening of the school and facilities. Owen and Michaelle reviewed with the Board the planned calendar of topics for Board meeting over the year.

- c. Discussion: The board reviewed and discussed the CEO and Board goals.

**7. Public Comment**

None

**8. Adjourn**

Fonseca moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 am, seconded by Heng and the meeting was adjourned.

List of Documents Presented at the Meeting:

1. Agenda
2. Minutes from 9.28
3. Enrollment policy