

# Desert Sands Charter High School

## Regular Board Meeting

Operated by Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc., A California NonProfit Public Benefit Corporation

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### Date and Time

Thursday June 4, 2026 at 2:30 PM PDT

### Location

**Meeting Location:** 177 Holston Drive, Lancaster, CA 93535

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### REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY

Please see the "Accommodations" notice below.

### REMINDER

As required by state law (SB 126), this meeting will be audio recorded and posted on the charter school's website.

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## Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>I. Opening Items</b>			<b>2:30 PM</b>
Opening Items			
<b>A.</b>	Call the Meeting to Order	Michael Adams	
<b>B.</b>	Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum	Michael Adams	
<b>Members of the Board Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum</b>			
Michael Adams, Board President			
Ruth Escarcega Newell, Board Secretary			
Marvin Smith, Board Member			
Dana Clark, Board Member			
James Lott, Board Member			
<b>Learning Centers Roll Call:</b>			
44130 20th Street West, Lancaster, CA 93534			
16921 E. Avenue O, Suites F & F1, Lake Los Angeles, CA 93591			
<b>C.</b>	Pledge of Allegiance	Michael Adams	
<b>D.</b>	Staff Introductions	Michael Adams	
<i>At this time, staff members will be invited to state their names and titles.</i>			
<b>E.</b>	Approve Agenda for the June 4, 2026, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors	Vote	Michael Adams
<b>F.</b>	Approve Minutes of the April 21, 2026, Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Directors	Approve Minutes	Michael Adams

## II. Consent Agenda

*All items listed under consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and consistent with approved policies and practices of the Charter School. The Board will be asked to approve all of the consent agenda items by a single vote unless requested by a Board member to be discussed and considered for action separately.*

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
<b>A.</b> Consent Agenda Items	Vote	Michael Adams	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Board will be asked to approve the Student Smartphones and Other Private Devices Policy</li> <li>2. The Board will be asked to accept the Uniform Complaints Report for the 2025-2026 school year: 0 Complaints Received</li> <li>3. The Board will be asked to approve the revised Suspension and Expulsion Policy and Procedure</li> <li>4. The Board will be asked to approve revisions to the 2026-2027 Parent-Student Handbook regarding Involuntary Removal Procedures</li> <li>5. The Board will be asked to approve the revised School Safety Plan</li> </ol>			

### III. Public Comment

*At this time, members of the public may address the Board on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, whether or not the item is on the agenda. The time allotted per presentation will not exceed three (3) minutes, unless a member of the public utilizes a translator, in which case the time allotted will not exceed six (6) minutes. In accordance with the Brown Act, no action may occur at this time, but it is the Board's prerogative to hold a brief discussion, provide information to the public, provide direction to staff, or schedule the matter for a future meeting.*

<b>A.</b> Public Comment	FYI	Michael Adams	
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### IV. School Reports and Information

<b>A.</b> Finance Update	FYI	Guita Sharifi	
<b>B.</b> Area Superintendent Update	FYI	Victor Nardiello	
<b>C.</b> Report on Mathematics Placement Results	FYI	Victor Nardiello	
<b>D.</b> LCFF Local Indicators Report	FYI	Alex Morris	
<b>E.</b> The Board will be advised of additional efforts by Lifelong Learning Administrative Corporation to assist the school in advancing the goals of independent study	FYI	Darin Bower	
<b>F.</b> Annual IRS Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax and the California return for 2024, as filed	FYI	Guita Sharifi	

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<b>G.</b> 2026-2027 Board Meeting Dates	FYI	Michael Adams	
<b>V. Public Hearings</b>			
<b>A.</b> Open Public Hearings	Vote	Michael Adams	
<b>B.</b> The Board will hold a public hearing to solicit the recommendations and comments of members of the public regarding the revised Personalized Learning Policy	Discuss	Victor Nardiello	
<b>C.</b> The Board will hold a public hearing to solicit the recommendations and comments of members of the public regarding the Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) and the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2026-2027 school year	Discuss	Victor Nardiello	
<b>D.</b> Close Public Hearings	Vote	Michael Adams	
<b>VI. Action Items</b>			
<b>A.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the revised Personalized Learning Policy	Vote	Victor Nardiello	
<b>B.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the 2026-2027 Budget Overview for Parents (BOP) and Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the 2026-2027 school year	Vote	Victor Nardiello	
<b>C.</b> The Board will be asked to confirm its acknowledgment that Michael Adams, Ruth Escarcega Newell, Marvin Smith, Dana Clark and James Lott, have been reappointed as members of the Board of Directors by Educational Advancement Corporation, the sole member of Desert Sands Public Charter, Inc., for the term July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027	Vote	Bill Thompson	
<b>D.</b> The Board will be asked to reappoint the Corporate Officers to serve at the pleasure of the Board	Vote	Michael Adams	

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<b>E.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Antelope Valley Union High School District to provide instruction to students	Vote	Victor Nardiello
<b>F.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Paraclete High School to provide instruction to students	Vote	Victor Nardiello
<b>G.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve the Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report for fiscal year 2025-26	Vote	Alex Morris
<b>H.</b>	The Board will be asked to re-authorize the officers of the corporation to award discretionary incentives to employees at various sundry times	Vote	Victor Nardiello
<b>I.</b>	The Board will be asked to reauthorize the Corporate Officers and Senior Administration to make all reasonable and necessary business arrangements, and enter into all reasonable and necessary transactions, including but not limited to, contracts with vendors, employees, consultants and others	Vote	Michael Adams
<b>J.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) for school year 2026-2027, which drives the primary source of funding for the charter school	Vote	Guita Sharifi
<b>K.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve the Education Protection Account (EPA) spending determinations	Vote	Guita Sharifi
<b>L.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve the Budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year	Vote	Guita Sharifi
<b>M.</b>	The Board will be asked to approve the Consolidated Application process and submission for all reports required for the 2026-2027 school year	Vote	Victor Nardiello

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<b>N.</b> The Board will be requested to renew the Revolving Line of Credit (RLOC) with Hanmi Bank for the 2026-2027 school year, as necessary, to ensure sufficient cash flow in accordance with the RLOC terms and applicable interest rates	Vote	Guita Sharifi	
<b>O.</b> The Board will be requested to approve securing a loan from Lifelong Learning Administration Corporation (LLAC) for the 2026-2027 school year, as necessary, to ensure sufficient cash flow, in accordance with the promissory note terms and applicable interest rates	Vote	Guita Sharifi	
<b>P.</b> The Board will be asked to approve the signers for all bank accounts	Vote	Michael Adams	
<b>VII. Additional Corporate Officers and Board Members' Observations and Comments</b>			
<b>A.</b> Observations and Comments	FYI	Michael Adams	
<b>VIII. Closed Session</b>			
<b>A.</b> Adjourn open public Board meeting to go into closed session	Vote	Michael Adams	
<p style="text-align: center;">1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code section 54957(b)(1).) Title: Superintendent</p>			
<b>B.</b> Adjourn closed session and reconvene to open public Board meeting	Vote	Michael Adams	
<b>C.</b> Report of action taken or recommendations made in closed session, if any	FYI	Michael Adams	
<b>IX. Closing Items</b>			
<b>A.</b> Next Regular Board Meeting Date: September 1, 2026, 3:30pm	FYI	Michael Adams	

Purpose Presenter Time

B. Adjourn Meeting Vote Michael Adams

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