



**Friday, January 17, 2025**  
**Rocketship Public Schools National Board of Directors Meeting (2024-25 Q3)**

**Meeting Time: 12:00pm**

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**Meeting Location: 2001 Gateway Place, Suite 230E San Jose, CA 95110**

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**1. Opening Items**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public comment on off-agenda items

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**2. Consent Items**

- A. Approve minutes from the December 11, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors

### **3. Closed Session**

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B. Conference with Legal Counsel — Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9. Number of cases: 1

### **4. Action Items: Report Out**

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A. Public report on actions taken in closed session

### **5. Adjourn**

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## **Rocketship Public Schools National Board of Directors Meeting (2024-25 Q2) (Wednesday, December 11, 2024)**

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### **1. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call to order**

At 1:03pm, Mr. Jordan took roll call. With a quorum of board members present, Mr. Jordan called the meeting to order.

*Present:* Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

*Absent:* Hugo Castaneda, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado, Mike Fox

#### **B. Public comment on off-agenda items**

At 1:04pm, Mr. Jordan called for public comment on off-agenda items. No members of the public provided comment.

### **2. Consent Items**

#### **A. Approve minutes from the October 9, 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors**

**B. Reappoint Louis Jordan (as chair), Charmaine Detweiler, Deborah McGriff, Michelle Mercado and Dan Sanchez to the Rocketship Board of Directors for a term of 2 years through December 2026**

**C. Reappoint Michelle Mercado to the Rocketship Achievement Committee for the remainder of their term on the Rocketship Board of Directors**

**D. Reappoint Melissa Martin as advisor to the Rocketship Achievement Committee for a term of 2 years through December 2026**

**E. Reappoint Dan Sanchez to the Rocketship Business Committee for the remainder of their term on the Rocketship Board of Directors**

**F. Reappoint Matthew Red as advisor to the Rocketship Audit Committee for a term of 2 years through December 2026**

**G. Reappoint Matthew Red to the Rocketship CA Board Committee for a term of 2 years through December 2026**

**H. Ratify the appointment of Jennifer McManus to the Rocketship DC Board of Trustees for a two-year term through September 2026**

**I. Ratify the appointment of Jeff Brown, John Eason, Kanika Covert and Malick Gaye to the Rocketship Tennessee Board of Trustees for two-year terms through September 2026**

**J. Ratify the appointment of Henderson Majors and Lindsey Margraf Rudd to the Rocketship Tennessee Board of Trustees for two-year terms through December 2026**

#### **K. Approve 2025-26 Instructional Calendar for Rocketship Education Tennessee Schools**

At 1:06pm, Mr. Terman made a motion to approve the consent items. This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

*Y:* Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan

*N:* --

*Abstain:* --

### **3. Information Items**

#### **A. Mission Moment**

At 1:07pm, information item 3(A) was presented. No action was taken.

#### **B. Board Updates (CEO, EDs, Regional Chairs, Board Chair, Committee and Development)**

At 1:16pm, information item 3(B) was presented. No action was taken.

At 1:19pm, Malka Borrego joined the meeting.

At 1:28pm, Michelle Mercado joined the meeting.

### **4. Action Items: Finance - Review and Approval**

#### **A. Review and Approve the 2023-24 Audit, as recommended by the Rocketship Audit Committee**

At 1:41pm, action item 4(A) was presented.

At 1:49pm, Mr. Terman made a motion to approve the action item 4(A), the 2023-24 Audit. This motion was seconded by Ms. Miller, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

*Y:* Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

*N:* --

*Abstain:* --

#### **B. Approve the 2024-25 Revised Budgets, as recommended by the Rocketship Business Committee**

At 1:50pm, action item 4(B) was presented.

At 1:57pm, Ms. McGriff made a motion to approve the action item 4(B), the 2024-25 Revised Budgets. This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

*Y:* Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

*N:* --

*Abstain:* --

**C. Approve the First Interim Reports for California Rocketship schools: Rocketship Mateo Sheedy, Rocketship Si Se Puede, Rocketship Los Suenos, Rocketship Mosaic, Rocketship Discovery Prep, Rocketship Brilliant Minds, Rocketship Alma, Rocketship Spark, Rocketship Fuerza, Rocketship Rising Stars, Rocketship Futuro, Rocketship Delta Prep and Rocketship Redwood City**

At 1:58pm, action item 4(C) was presented.

At 2:03pm, Mr. Stanger made a motion to approve the action item 4(C), the First Interim Reports for California Rocketship schools. This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Sloter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

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Abstain: --

**5. Action Items: TN Operations - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve Artificial Intelligence for Instructional and Assignment Purposes Policy (TN)**

**B. Approve Admissions and Enrollment Policy (TN)**

**C. Approve Tennessee Four & Five Letters of Intent (LOIs)**

At 2:05pm, the board discussed action items 5(A-C).

At 2:09pm, Mr. Sanchez made a motion to approve the action items 5(A-C). This motion was seconded by Ms. Detweiler, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Sloter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

N: --

Abstain: --

**6. Action Items: CA Operations - Review and Approval**

**A. Approve Revised Independent Study Policy (CA)**

At 2:09pm, the board discussed action item 6(A).

At 2:11pm, Mr. Sisnett made a motion to approve the action item 6(A), the Revised Independent Study Policy (CA). This motion was seconded by Mr. Sanchez, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Dan Sanchez, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Sloter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

N: --

Abstain: --

**7. Information Items**

**A. 403(b) Update**

At 2:11pm, the board discussed information item 7(A). No action was taken.

**B. Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid Year Update**

At 2:20pm, the board information action item 7(B). No action was taken.

At 2:28pm, Ms. Bernal Samano left the meeting.

**8. Break**

At 2:32pm, the board took a break.

**9. Information Items**

**A. Annual Board of Directors training: Open meeting and Conflict of Interest Laws, including Brown Act, and best practices for board duties**

At 2:47pm, the board discussed action item 9(A). No action was taken.

At 3:00pm, Mr. Sanchez left the meeting.

At 3:08pm, Ms. Bernal Samano rejoined the meeting.

**10. Closed Session**

**A. Conference with Legal Counsel -- Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9. Number of cases: 1**

**B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54957: CEO Evaluation**

At 3:55pm, Mr. Kilb made a motion to move to Closed Session. This motion was seconded by Ms. Sloter, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Brian Kilb, Charmaine Detweiler, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Sloter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

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Abstain: --

At 4:42pm, Mr. Kilb left the meeting.

**11. Agenda Items: Report Out**

**A. Public report on actions taken in closed session**

At 4:54pm, Mr. Jordan called the open session back to order and reported that no actions were taken on items 10(A-B) during the closed session.

**12. Adjourn**

At 4:55pm, Ms. Slotter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Ms. Miller, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Alex Terman, April Taylor, Charmaine Detweiler, Daniel Velasco, Deb McGriff, Derwin Sisnett, Greg Stanger, Joey Slotter, Julie Miller, Rajen Sheth, Ray Raven, Yolanda Bernal Samano, Louis Jordan, Malka Borrego, Michelle Mercado

N: --

Abstain: --

# Q3 Rocketship Public Schools Board of Directors Meeting

January 17, 2025



# Agenda

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**B.** Public comment on off-agenda items

## 2. Consent Items

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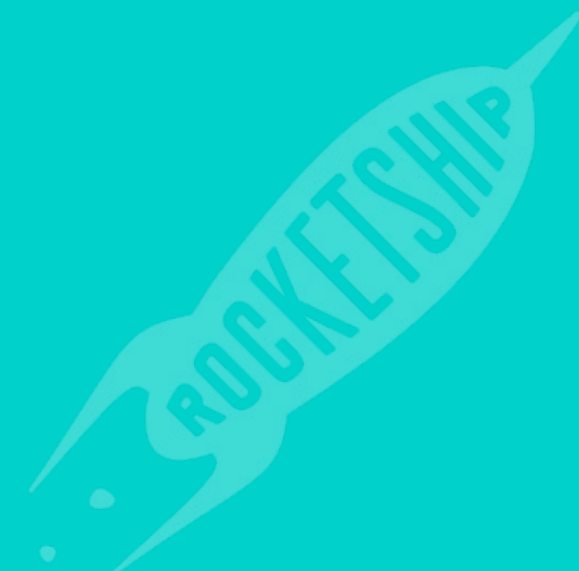
## 4. Action Items: Report Out

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## 5. Adjourn



# Consent Items





Closed Session



The Board is in Closed Session

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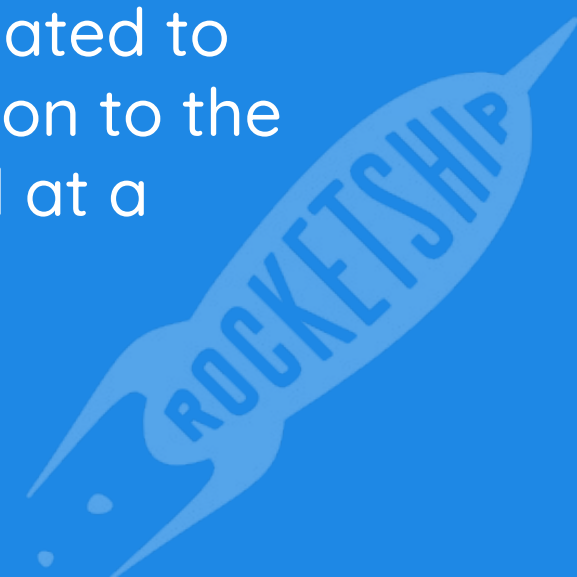
## Motion - Board Authorizations

Authorize senior leadership to issue a Letter of Intent for the proposed acquisition.

AND

Authorize senior leadership and senior staff to take all necessary and appropriate actions to complete the diligence and negotiation process, and to prepare the legal documents related to this potential transaction for presentation to the board for review and possible approval at a future meeting.

*CONFIDENTIAL CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEM*



Adjourn

