

LinkEd Public Schools (LPS) Board Meeting

Minutes LPS Board of Directors Special Meeting

Central Academy of Arts and Technology

Special Board Meeting – Minutes

Date: Thursday, December 2, 2025

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: 1701 18th Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301

Virtual: Zoom Meeting ID 838 6808 6112

I. Opening Items

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:06 PM by Board President David James.

1.2 Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by David James and received by all members present.

1.3 Roll Call

Board Members Present:

- David James
- Leslie Walters
- Tara Bratcher
- Ernie Unruh

Board Members Absent: Lila Ray

Staff Present: Joanna Kendrick, LinkEd Superintendent; Greg West, LinkEd CEO, Brandon Smith, Caat Head of School

1.4 Changes to Agenda

No changes were made to the agenda.

1.5 Public Comment

No public comments were received on non-agenda items.

2. Consent Agenda

2.1- Approval of October board meeting minutes

2.2- Approval of October check register

- Motion: Leslie Walters

- Second:Ernie Unruh

Vote: 4-0 – Motion carried.

3. Closed Session

- A. Hearing to consider expulsion of Student No. 2025-12-2 pursuant to Education Code 48918.

4. Open Session

Report out from closed session: The Board took action in closed session regarding a student disciplinary matter. The Board voted to approve the recommendation for student expulsion. The action was approved by a vote of 4-0

Roll Call Vote:

- David James - Aye
- Leslie Walters - Aye
- Tara Bratcher - Aye
- Ernie Unruh - Aye

Final Vote: 4-0

5. Communication

5.1 Superintendent report

Ms. Kendrick shared updates in upcoming school events including Showcase Night and invited all Board Members to attend.

V. Closing Items

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:47 PM.

- Motion: Ernie Unruh
- Second: Leslie Walters

Vote: 4-0– Motion carried.