



## FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*The mission of the Fenton Charter Public Schools is to offer a high-quality innovative education to all students in a safe, secure, nurturing environment where students, parents and staff become a community of learners achieving collaborative and successful outcomes.*

### SPECIAL MEETING - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**FCPS:** 8928 B Sunland Boulevard, Sun Valley, CA 91352 • (818) 962-3630  
**FACS:** 11828 Gain Street, Lake View Terrace, CA 91342 • (818) 896-7482  
**SMBCCS:** 1022 North Van Ness Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90038 • (323) 469-0971  
**FPC:** 11351 Dronfield Avenue, Pacoima, CA 91331 • (818) 485-5900  
**STEM and FCLA:** 8926 Sunland Boulevard, Sun Valley, CA 91352 • (818) 962-3636

**Videoconference Locations:** [See Page 6](#)

**January 16, 2026 – 9:00 A.M.**  
**FCPS Business Office Boardroom**  
**8928 B Sunland Blvd.**  
**Sun Valley, CA 91352**  
**and**  
**via Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8747966875>  
**Meeting ID: 874 796 6875**

### AGENDA

The Fenton Charter Public Schools (“Charter Schools”) welcome your participation at the meetings of the Board of Directors (“Board”). The purpose of a public meeting of the Board is to conduct the affairs of the Fenton Charter Schools in public and encourage continued community interest in our organization.

#### **END OF STATE OF EMERGENCY AND NEW REMOTE PARTICIPATION RULES - Assembly Bill 2449**

Governor Newsom announced that the COVID-19 state of emergency ended on February 28, 2023. With the end of the state of emergency, agencies are no longer able to utilize pandemic-era virtual meeting procedures. However, board members may continue to participate remotely by telephone and/or videoconference under traditional Ralph M. Brown Act teleconference rules. Effective January 1, 2023, Assembly Bill 2449 (AB 2449) allows individual board members to participate in meetings remotely during “emergency circumstances” or for “just cause.” Specific requirements may be found in the full text of AB2449 (posted on the FCPS website: [www.fentoncharter.net](http://www.fentoncharter.net)). *All requirements for attendance by the FCPS Board of Directors are adhered to in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.*

#### **Instructions for Presentations to the Board by Parents and Citizens**

*If you wish to make a public comment, please follow these instructions:*

1. The public may attend in person or may join via Zoom. If joining in person, the public may complete a “Request to Address the Board” (on an agenda item or non-agenda item) card which will be available at the door. If joining via Zoom, the following procedures should be followed:
2. Speakers may attend the board meeting virtually through the Zoom invitation link on the top of the agenda.
3. A Google survey “sign-up” will be open to members of the public 30 minutes prior to the public meeting. This survey will take the place of the “speaker cards” available at meetings. <https://bit.ly/2wDdxrM>
4. Speakers will fill in their names and select if they wish to address the board regarding a specific agenda item or a non-agenda item.
5. When it is time for the speaker to address the board, his/her name will be called by the Board Chair and the requesting speaker’s microphone will be activated.
6. Speakers should rename their Zoom profile with their real name to expedite this process.
7. After the comment has been given, the microphone for the speaker’s Zoom profile will be muted.

**I. PRELIMINARY**

- A. Call to Order** – Chairperson of the Board – Joe Lucente
- B. Roll Call** – Secretary of the Board – Irene Sumida
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Chair Lucente

The Chair will request any amendments to the agenda, and then approval.

**II. COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Presentations from the Public** – Chair Lucente

Any persons present desiring to address the Board of Directors on any proper matter.

*Agenda items:* No individual presentation shall be for more than five (5) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes per agenda item.

*Non-agenda items:* No individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes.

Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

- B. Committee/Council Reports**

*Committee/Council reports will resume at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on January 22, 2025.*

- C. Financial Business Manager’s Report**

*The Financial Business Manager’s report will resume at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on January 22, 2025.*

- D. Site Directors’ Reports**

*Site Director reports will resume at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on January 22, 2025.*

- E. FCPS Directors’ Reports**

*CMO Directors’ Reports will resume at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on January 22, 2025.*

- F. FCPS Officers’ Reports**

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### III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

*All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered by the Board to be routine and will be approved/enacted by the Board in one motion in the form listed below. Unless specifically requested by a Board member for further discussion or removed from the agenda, there will be no discussion of these items prior to the Board's vote on them. The Chief Executive Officer recommends approval of all consent agenda items.*

*There are no items scheduled for the Consent Agenda this month.*

### IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. [Recommendation to approve the revised FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual](#)
- B. [Recommendation to approve Revised Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook](#)
- C. [Resolution #60: Submission of a New Charter Petition for Fenton Launchpad Academy](#)

### V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

*There are no items scheduled for Information this month.*

### VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 4:30 pm in the boardroom of the FCPS Business Office and via Zoom.

### VII. FUTURE MEETINGS

January 22, 2026  
March 12, 2026  
April 16, 2026  
May 14, 2026  
June 11, 2026

### VIII. ADJOURNMENT

#### **Americans with Disabilities Act**

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in the public meeting of the FCPS Board of Directors, please contact the FCPS business office at (818) 962-3630. Notification of 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable FCPS to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accommodations and accessibility to this meeting. Upon request, FCPS shall also make available this agenda and all other public records associated with this meeting in appropriate alternative formats for persons with disabilities.

**Videoconference Locations:**

Joe Lucente's Office: 17112 Minnehaha, Granada Hills, CA 91344

Carrie Wagner's Office: 540 N. Rossmore Avenue, Unit 107, Los Angeles, CA 90004

Yvette King-Berg's Office: 9400 Remick Avenue, Pacoima, CA 91331

Caprice Young's Office: 3850 Lankershim Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90068

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**Committee and Council Reports**

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#### **IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**



**FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

January 16, 2026

**TO:** Fenton Charter Public Schools  
Board of Directors

**FROM:** David Riddick  
Chief Executive Officer/President

**SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve the revised FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual**

**BACKGROUND**

The Fenton Charter Public Schools have maintained documented accounting policies and procedures since the conversion of Fenton Avenue Charter School. On October 24, 2024, the FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual was updated in preparation for the submission of the renewal petitions for Fenton Primary Center, Fenton Avenue Charter School, and Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School.

As part of the charter petition submission process with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) Charter Schools Division, we are required to ensure that all board policies are updated and compliant with current legal and district requirements. Having current policies in place is essential for demonstrating our ongoing commitment to transparency, compliance, and sound governance during the charter renewal process.

**ANALYSIS**

The FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual is in compliance with LAUSD Charter Schools Division requirements and state laws.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the revised FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual.

**Attachment: FCPS General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual**



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January 16, 2026

**TO:** Fenton Charter Public Schools  
Board of Directors

**FROM:** David Riddick  
Chief Executive Officer/President

**SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve Revised Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook**

**BACKGROUND**

On October 24, 2024, the Board of Directors approved a revision to the Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook in preparation for the submission of the renewal petitions for Fenton Primary Center, Fenton Avenue Charter School, and Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School. The Handbook was reviewed by FCPS Financial Manager, Erik Okazaki, for accuracy and completeness.

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**ANALYSIS**

The FCPS Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook is in compliance with LAUSD Charter Schools Division requirements and state laws.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the revised FCPS Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook.

**Attachment:** [FCPS Procurement and Purchasing Procedures Handbook](#)



**FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

January 16, 2026

**TO:** Fenton Charter Public Schools  
Board of Directors

**FROM:** David Riddick  
Chief Executive Officer/President

**SUBJECT: Resolution #60: Submission of a New Charter Petition for Fenton Launchpad Academy**



**RESOLUTION #60 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF CHARTER RENEWAL PETITION  
TO LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Fenton Charter Public Schools seeks to expand high-quality educational opportunities for students and families; and

WHEREAS, Fenton Charter Public Schools has developed a charter petition for Fenton Launchpad Academy in accordance with applicable provisions of the California Education Code and regulations governing charter schools; and

WHEREAS, the submission of the charter petition requires formal authorization by the Board of Directors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Fenton Charter Public Schools hereby approves and authorizes the submission of a new charter petition for Fenton Launchpad Academy to the appropriate charter authorizing entity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive Officer or designee is authorized to execute and submit all documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate this resolution.

- Dr. David Riddick will serve as “Lead Petitioner” and is hereby authorized to make any additional changes or revisions to the Renewal as may be necessary to comply with applicable legal requirements and/or District policies and procedures, and to take all steps necessary for approval of same;
- Dr. David Riddick is the Director;
- Dr. David Riddick is the Chief Executive Officer; and
- Jason Gonzalez, Chief Operating Officer, is the Financial Manager.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Directors has adopted the above resolution by the following vote at a regular Board meeting this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

AYES:

NOS:

ABSTENTIONS:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joe Lucente, Chairman of the Board of Directors

By: *Irene Sumida*

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Irene Sumida, Secretary

**V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION**

*There are no items scheduled for Information this month.*