Notice and Agenda

Meeting of the Board of Directors of ARISE, Inc.

Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 4:45 p.m.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Directdors of ARISE, Inc. will be held on Thursday, May 20, 2026. The board will convene the meeting in the Open Session at 4:45 p.m. The Board will meet at 302 N. Town East Blvd., Sunnyvale, Texas 75182.

It is the intent of the board to have a quorum physically present at the above address. Board members who are not physically present may participate by live two-way video and audio feed I accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. If a quorum of the Board cannot be physically present at the above address, it is the intent to have the presiding officer physically present at the above address.

Items will not necessarily be discussed or considered in the order they are printed on the agenda below. If, during the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in an executive or closed session, the Board will convene in such executive or closed session as permitted by and in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

A. Roll Call: Establishment of Quorum; Call to Order

B. Public Comments (At each regular meeting, the Board will allot 20 minutes to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board generally during public comment and shall allot time to hear persons who desire to make comments to the Board both generally and o specific agenda items. People who wish to participate in this portion of the meeting shall sign up with the presiding office or designee before the meeting begins and shall indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. Each person who signs up shall be allowed to address the Board one time for no more than 3 minutes. Delegations of more than five persons are encouraged to appoint one person to present their views before the Board. If there are no public communication or comments, the board will proceed to other business. Please be advised that Board meetings are meetings open to the public, no public meetings. The pressing officer reserves the right to set a time limit for public comments and other reasonable restrictions in accordance with applicable law.

C. Receive and approve Minutes of previous meetings(s).

D. Review, discuss and possible action:

Superintendent's Report:

a. Enrollment Update
b. Raptor Implemented
c. Safety Updates
   1. Staff Development (Sunnyvale Fire Dept. and Police Dept.)
   2. Inspections Sunnyvale Fire Dept. and Police Dept
f. Accreditation Status
g. Rowlett Property
h. Resolution Approval for closing Rowlett Campus
i. Evaluation of Superintend Form
j. SSSP Report

E. Consent Items:

a. Updated Compliance Requirements:
   1. Charter School Required Professional Development & Training (Updated)
   2. Website Posting Requirements (Updated)
   3. Required Newspaper Publications (New)

b. Financial Report
   1. Amendment Budget 2025-2026
   2. Monthly Board Report ECIA
   3. Cash Flow
   4. FIN3750 – Statement of Activities
   5. FIN3800 – Statement of Financial Position

c. Renewal Plan for Academics

d. Academic Rating

e. Charter FIRST Rating Appeal

F. Discussion Items:

G. Adjourn

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (Subchapters D and E of Ch. 551, Tex. Gov't Code), the Board ma enter closed meeting to deliberate ay subject authorized by Subchapter D that is listed on the agenda for this meeting.

Any final action, decision, or vote on a subject deliberated in closed meeting will be taken in an open meeting held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

This notice was posted by 12:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2026.

Education Center International Academy (ECIA)

Board Minutes -Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 4:45 p.m.

The Board meeting was conducted at 302 N. Town East Blvd., Sunnyvale, Texas 75182
Present: Mr. Phil Seay President), Mr. Brian person (Secretary), Ms. Beckey Thomas (Member), Dr. Donna Townsend (Superintendent), and Louise Carter (HR/Business)

Open Session:
The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. No public present. No public comments.

A. Roll was called to order.

B. No public comments were made.

Consent Item:

C. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve minutes of the May 26,2026 meeting. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

D. Review, discuss and possible action:
Superintendent's Report

a. Enrollment Update
b. Raptor Implemented
c. Safety Updates
d. Staff Development (Sunnyvale Fire Dept. and Police Dept.)
e. Inspections: Gas Pipe, Everon
f. Accreditation Status
g. Rowlett Property
h. Resolution Approval for closing Rowlett Campus
i. Evaluation of Superintend Form
j. Renewal Plan for Academics
k. Academic Rating
l. SSSP Report

E. Consent Items:
a. Members reviewed and discussed the Compliance Certification.

Ms. Thomas made a motion to approve the Compliance Certification. Mr. Peterson seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0

Members reviewed and discussed the Compliance Certification of DEI.

Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the Compliance with Certification of DEI Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0

Members reviewed and discussed the compliance requirements with policy and policy updates.

Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the Required Charter School Professional Development & Training Policy updates. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0

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Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the Requirements Newspaper Publications Policy updates. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

b. Members reviewed and discussed the Financial Report items:

1. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve Amendment Budget 2025-2026. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

2. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve Monthly Board Report ECIA Cash Flow. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

3. Ms. Thomas made a motion to approve FIN3750 – Statement of Activities M.___ seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

4. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve FIN3800 – Statement of Financial Position Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

c. Dr. Townsend presented the Renewal Plan for Academics. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the appeal rating. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

d. Dr. Townsend presented an appeal for Academic Rating. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the appeal rating. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

e. Dr. Townsend presented an appeal for Charter FIRST Rating. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the appeal rating. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

f. Dr. Townsend presented Charter Handbook. Mr. Peterson made a motion to approve the appeal rating. Ms. Thomas seconded. Motion passed 3 to 0.

F. Discussion Items

G. Meeting was adjourned by Mr. Seay at 5:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Brian Peterson, Secretary

EDUCATION CENTER INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY
FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026
BUDGET

Budget Amendment #: Amended Aug-26

Fund 420 General Fund	Original Budget	Proposed Amendment	Amended Budget
Revenue:			
5700 Local & Intermediate Sources	18,700.00	(3,686.00)	15,014.00
5800 State Programs	1,802,093.00	(6,668.00)	1,795,425.00
5900 Erate Reimbursement	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00
Total Estimated Revenue	1,824,793.00	(10,354.00)	1,814,439.00
Appropriations:			
11 Instruction	790,147.00	(140,000.00)	650,147.00
13 Instructional Staff Development	1,200.00	(50.00)	1,150.00
23 School Leadership	127,840.00	(19,000.00)	108,840.00
31 Counseling	58,200.00	-	58,200.00
33 Health Services	19,229.00	1,000.00	20,229.00
35 Child Nutrition	375.00	20,000.00	20,375.00
41 District Administration	292,130.00	80,000.00	372,130.00
51 Maintenance & Operations	161,615.00	6,000.00	167,615.00
52 Security & Monitering	23,900.00	(1,000.00)	22,900.00
53 Data Processing Services	10,000.00	60,000.00	70,000.00
71 Debt Services	468,678.00	-	468,678.00
Total Appropriations	1,953,314.00	6,950.00	1,960,264.00
00 Operating Transfers Out (to C/N)	(8,907.00)		-
Equity (Revenues-Expenditures-Transfer)		-	(145,825.00)

Public Notices Requirement 2023-2024	Budget	Current Year Expenditures
199-41-6491 - Newspaper Publications	500.00	-
199-41-6214 - Lobbying	-	-

Fund 240 Child Nutrition	Budget	Proposed Amendment	Amended Budget
Revenue:			
5700 Local Programs	200.00	(22.00)	178.00
5800 State Programs	3,275.00	(2,600.00)	675.00
5900 Federal Programs	25,650.00	3,974.00	29,624.00
Total Estimated Revenue	29,125.00	1,352.00	30,477.00
Appropriations:			
35 Child Nutrition	38,032.00	(7,555.00)	30,477.00
Total Appropriations	38,032.00 -	(7,555.00)	30,477.00
00 Operating Transfers In (from 199)	(8,907.00)	8,907.00	-
Equity (Revenues-Expenditures+Transfer)			-

State & Federal Funds	Budget	Expended	Balance
211 Title I Part A	81,541.00	-	81,541.00
224 Idea B Formula	57,126.00	51,439.42	5,686.58
255 Title II Part A	4,054.00	-	4,054.00
289 Title IV Part A	9,250.00	-	9,250.00
429 Safe Cycle 1	326,686.00	83,735.18	242,950.82
429 Laso	400,000.00	227,475.78	172,524.22
	878,657.00	362,650.38	516,006.62

Approved: _____ Date: _____

Board Secretary

Brian J. Peterson