



## Spark Charter School Minutes Regular Board Meeting

Spark Charter School, Room 4  
739 Morse Avenue, Sunnyvale  
Monday, April 17, 2017 – 7:00 p.m.

### A. OPENING OF MEETING BY BOARD PRESIDENT

Roll Call	Alexandra Zdravkovic	<u>          x          </u>	Mayuri Vasireddi	<u>          x          </u>
	Niti Madan	<u>          x          </u>	Laura Stuchinsky	<u>          x          </u>
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### B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved Mayuri                      Seconded Alex                      Board Action 4-0 approved

### C. Comments from the Public

### D. Closed Session

1. PENDING OR ANTICIPATING LITIGATION
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: Staff

### E. Reconvene to Open Session

Item 1 postponed.  
No action taken.

### F. COMMUNICATIONS

1. **Comments from the public**  
None
2. **Recognition of the community**  
None
3. **Announcements**  
None

### G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve 04/06/2017 minutes
2. Accept resignation of Ignite employee
3. Appoint new Ignite employee

Alex made a motion, seconded by Niti, to approve consent agenda. Motion approved 4-0 with Niti, Mayuri, Alex and Laura voting affirmatively.

### H. OLD BUSINESS

1. Technology committee update –  
Susannah was unable attend meeting, so report and discussion postponed until next meeting.
2. CBO update (budget, playground grant, etc...) – Martha  
Martha updated board on KaBOOM! grant process for securing a grade school playground for Spark and another grant opportunity for playground equipment that she will pursue.  
She informed the Board about the KaBOOM! process: Spark has made commitment to raise \$8,500 –10% of the cost of the playground, to engage volunteers to erect the playground, and to feed the volunteers. The District agreed to loan Spark \$100,000 towards the cost of the site preparation and offered to prepare the site given that Spark pays the costs. Spark is not in a position to take on this debt, especially knowing that the playground would be an improvement owned by the District and Spark only has a one-year lease for the Columbia site.
3. Director's update (day to day business, special events, enrollment, teacher hiring) – Chris  
Chris updated Board. We continue to receive applications for next school year. We have many teacher applicants. Teacher hiring committees are being setup.

4. Middle school learning platform – Chris  
Spark is approved to obtain the Summit Learning platform. The platform was created through partnerships between Summit and Stanford University's SCALE program and includes qualitative assessments and rubrics for assignments and projects. It offers greater transparency with an interactive dashboard for parents, students, and teachers to track student progress.
5. Charter renewal update – Chris, Martha  
Chris and Martha met with Santa Clara County Board of Education charter team, who walked staff through the steps and timeline in the charter renewal process. Chris and Martha updated the Board about critical steps in the process.
6. Prop 39 status and next steps – Chris  
Chris updated board about Spark's response status.

## **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 9:35pm