



**Bright Star Schools Board of Directors
Agenda of the Regular Meeting**

Tuesday, September 15 at 5 p.m.
2636 S. Mansfield Ave, 90016

Teleconference Access

<https://brightstarschools-org.zoom.us/j/7146236234>

Meeting ID: 714 623 6234

Passcode: BSS

Board Member Teleconference Locations

- 4327 Beck Avenue, Studio City, CA 91604
- 4140 Workman Mill Road# 287 Whittier, CA 90601
- 7139 La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90045
- 253 31st St, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254
- 3221 Federal Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90066
- 888 Columbia Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711
- 323 S. Irving Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90020
- 5990 Green Valley Circle, Culver City, CA 90230
- 6020 Chelsea Piers, New York, NY 10011

School Site Two-Way Teleconference Locations

- 2636 S Mansfield Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90016
- 4196 Marlton Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90008
- 4301 W. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90008
- 1600 W. Imperial Hwy, Los Angeles, CA 90047
- 600 S. La Fayette Park Pl, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- 111 S. Madison Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90004
- 15526 Plummer Street, North Hills, CA 91343
- 9034 Burnet Ave, North Hills, CA 91343
- 9356 Lemona Ave, North Hills, CA 91343

The legislative body hereby notices each teleconference location of each member participating in the public meeting, each teleconference location is accessible to the public, members of the public are allowed to address the legislative body at each teleconference location, and the legislative body will post an agenda at each teleconference location. At least a quorum of the legislative body will participate from locations within the boundaries of the local agency's jurisdiction.



**Bright Star Schools Board of Directors
Agenda of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday, September 15, 2026**

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call**
- 2. Public Comment Period for Non-Agenda Items**
- 3. Meeting Kick-off by Andres Paniagua, Dean of Operations at Stella Middle Charter Academy (SMCA)**
- 4. Academic Committee Report by Dr. Roberta Benjamin-Edwards, Committee Chair**
- 5. Chief Executive Officer Presentation by Ana Martinez**
 - Strategics Goals Update
- 6. Chief Instructional Officer Presentation by Liliana Bustos**
 - Preliminary CAASPP Data Update
 - Instructional Priorities & Updates
- 7. Senior Vice President of Student and Family Services Presentation by Marni Parsons**
 - Attendance and Suspension Data from the 2026 School Year
 - Week 1 Attendance and Enrollment
 - Strong Start Priorities
- 8. Vice President of People Presentation by Ana Vargas**
 - Hiring Updates
- 9. Public Hearing: Williams Monitoring**
 - At this time, members of the public are welcome to provide comment regarding the Williams Monitoring visits
 - **Action Item:** Resolution on Instructional Materials for Educators as part of the Williams Settlement for Rise Kohyang Elementary School, Rise Kohyang High School, Stella Elementary Charter Academy, Stella Middle Charter Academy, Stella High Charter Academy, Valor Academy Elementary School, Valor Academy Middle School, Valor Academy High School
- 10. Governance Committee Report by Andrew Murr, Board and Committee Chair**
- 11. Chief Executive Officer Presentation by Ana Martinez**
 - Update: BSS Board Retreat
- 12. Manager of Compliance & Special Project Updates by Lydia Garcia**
 - Update: CharterSAFE Mandated Reporter Training
 - Update: Board Member Attendance at Board Meetings during SY25-26
- 13. Vice President of Public Affairs Presentation by Angelina Calderon**



- 2025-26 LAUSD Oversight Visit Scores
- Update: 2026 Charter Renewals
- Amendment to Conflict of Interest Code
- Approval of the Change Order of Statement of Work for the Aspiring Principals of Color Fellowship (APOC) 26-27 Cohort
- Consideration and Approval of BSS Board Resolution Supporting Submission of an Application to CAL FIRE's Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

14. Finance Committee Report by Louisa Wee, Committee Chair

15. Senior Vice President of Operations Presentation by Sebastian Valdes

- Enrollment Update
- Proposal for Sub Vendor - Trade Winds
- Tutoring Contract: Dynasty United Youth Association (DUYA)

16. Chief Financial Officer Presentation by Elijah Sugay

- 2026-27 Budgets
- Notice of Concern (NOC) Update
- Facilities Update

17. Chief Financial Officer Presentation by Elijah Sugay

- Action Item: Revised 2026-27 Local Control and Accountability Plans for Rise Kohyang Elementary School, Stella Elementary Charter Academy, Valor Academy Elementary School, and Stella High Charter Academy

18. Approval of (Consent Agenda):

- **Governance**
 - i. Minutes of the BSS Board meeting (second meeting) on June 23, 2026
 - ii. Minutes of the Academic Committee meeting on August 31, 2026
 - iii. Minutes of the Governance Committee meeting on September 1, 2026
 - iv. Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting on September 3, 2026
 - v. Amendment to Conflict of Interest Code
- **Finance and Facilities**
 - i. 2026-27 Budgets
 - ii. Approval of the Change Order of Statement of Work for the Aspiring Principals of Color Fellowship (APOC) 26-27 Cohort
 - iii. Approval of BSS Board Resolution Authorizing Submission of an Application to CAL FIRE's Urban and Community Forestry Grant Program of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- **Operations**
 - i. Tutoring Contract: Dynasty's United Youth Association (DUYA) After School Tutoring
 - ii. Proposal for Sub Vendor - Trade Winds

19. Closed Session: ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Pursuant to Gov. Code s. 54956.9(d)(2): One matter.



20. Closed Session: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code section 54957(b)(1).)
Title: Lead Executive Officer

21. Adjournment

The order of business may be changed without notice. Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

Special presentations may be made. Notice is hereby given that special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentations will be for information only.

Any and all open session materials distributed to the board are available in our office at 2636 S. Mansfield Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90016, or upon request by emailing us at board@brightstarschools.org.



Instructions for Presentation to the Board by Members of the Public

Bright Star Schools welcomes your participation at the Organization's Board meetings. The purpose of a public meeting of the Board of Directors is to conduct the affairs of the Organization in public. Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our schools. To assist you in participating in our meetings, the following process will be adhered to:

- 1) Agendas are attached to this notice and available to all audience members prior to the meeting at www.brightstarschools.org.
- 2) Speakers are limited to no more than three minutes each. Please email your name and item(s) you wish to address to board@brightstarschools.org.
 - Non-Agenda Items: Any person may address the Board concerning any item not on the agenda for no more than three minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen minutes. Board members are restricted from responding to any speaker and no action can be taken as the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation or calendar the issue for future discussion. Individuals may also request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda and once such an item is properly placed on the agenda and publicly noticed, the Board can discuss, respond, and possibly act upon such an item. During meetings, time will be allotted to request speakers at the start of the meeting.
 - Agenda Items: Any person may address the Board concerning any item on the agenda provided that no individual presentation shall be for more than three minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen minutes per item. The Board Chair may extend time for public comment at his/her discretion. The presentation to the Board shall be made at the time a specific item is under discussion, or before the Board takes any action, whichever comes first. During meetings, time will be allotted to request speakers at the start of the meeting.
- 3) The time required to translate Spanish-to-English or English-to-Spanish will not count against the three-minute limit. The Board will provide Spanish language translation. Time will not be allotted for alternative translation from the attendees.
- 4) Members of the public who attend the meeting shall be respectful of the Board's process and shall follow the instructions of the Board Chair.
 - Security officers and/or school police may be present at the meeting for the purpose of ensuring that disorderly or disruptive behavior does not occur.
 - Persons who engage in acts disruptive to the meeting (i.e., speaking when not recognized by the Board Chair or failing to follow the rules of the meeting as established by the Board Chair) may be given a verbal warning.
 - A second disruptive act may result in the disruptive person being asked to remove himself/herself from the meeting.
 - A third disruptive act may result in the disruptive person being removed from the meeting.
 - If the meeting is repeatedly disrupted the Board Chair may, at his/her discretion, clear the meeting room and continue with discussion of items that are on the published agenda.
- 5) In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, the Organization may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modification of the agenda in order to participate in Board meetings are invited to email board@brightstarschools.org.