

**Larchmont Charter Schools  
MINUTES  
Board of Directors Retreat Meeting  
1265 N Fairfax Avenue  
West Hollywood, CA 90046  
August 21, 2011**

**OPEN SESSION**

- The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Danny Corwin, Chair.
- Names with “X” indicates present:

Board of Directors:			
Dragon, Kriste	X	Loeb, Gabi (Treas)	X
Straub, Gene	X	Wright, Richard	
Lee, Susan		Medina, Amber	X
Cade, Carl	X	Lara, Alicia	X
Corwin, Danny (Chair)	X	Jaeger, Nicole	X
Francis, Marya (Sec)		Hutchinson, Rebecca	X

Larchmont Schools & ExED Staff:			
Brian C. Johnson (Executive Director)	X	Kristin Droege (LCW Principal)	
Dolores Patton (LCS – Head of Elementary School)		Graham Dye (ExED)	
Myra Salinas (Assist Principal)		Rebecca Bailey (Deve. Associate)	
Rick Esquivel (LCS – Head of Middle School)			

- **Quorum:** Yes

**1. State of Larchmont Schools**

- Brian C. Johnson presented a PowerPoint on the success of Larchmont Schools during 2010-2011 and led a discussion on the ongoing strategic challenges the Larchmont Schools face.
- There was a strong conversation among the board congratulating the school leaders, teachers, and parents who have made the Larchmont Schools so successful.
- Many board members reiterated the point that while it is important to measure our impact quantitatively, we always need to be reflecting on the “human element” of our work to ensure we are meeting the needs of all students and families equally well.

**2. Capital Campaign Update**

- Nicole Jaeger gave a brief update on the status of the capital campaign and encouraged full board participation in this critical effort.

**3. Board Governance**

- Danny Corwin lead the board in a strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats exercise with the board to begin highlighting how the board may work together over the next year.

**4. Executive Director Comments**

- None

**5. Board Chair Comments**

- None

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6. New Business
  - None
7. Public Comment
  - There was no public comment.
8. The meeting moved into closed session at 2:16 to discuss a personnel matter
9. The meeting reconvened in public session at 3:00 and reported that no action items were taken during closed session
10. The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 P.M.