



**ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATION  
UNIT 1894 IBEW 11 AFL-CIO, CLC  
Board of Governors Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

In accordance with EAA Board of Governors Motion #2, approved February 2, 2023, and the ongoing concerns related to the Coronavirus Pandemic, the EAA Board of Governors meeting will be conducted electronically until further notice. The meetings will not be conducted at 2911 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026. This meeting will be recorded in accordance with EAA policy. All other recordings are prohibited. This meeting is closed to the public and limited to EAA members.

**1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Wednesday, January 14, 2026 06:09 PM

**2) ROLL CALL OF THE GOVERNORS**

Roy Samaan, Michael Cruz, Jackelyn Cornejo,  
Tiffany Hall, Betty Barberena, Christina Youssef

Jorge Torres and Marleen Fonseca present as staff

**3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION #1**

Motion to approve the Draft Public Meeting Minutes of the Wednesday, January 14, 2026 Board of Governors Regular Meeting

Moved by Cruz, Seconded by Youssef

AYES - Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena, Samaan

Nays -

Abstentions - Hall

Motion Passes

**4) GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Notes from General Announcements:

Holiday Party is on January 31, 12-4 pm, event has reached capacity but will try to accommodate as many members on the waiting list as soon as possible.

## 5) MEMBER COMMENTS

*(Members limited to 1 minute, 30 seconds each) Please note: This is not a Q&A and the BOG will not respond to questions. Comments and/or questions will be noted.*

Member names and brief notes

Jova Salazar: Not only responsible for taking comment but also taking action. She has brought up many concerns and no changes.

## 6) EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT



01-14-2026 Executive Directors Report.pdf

We are still in disagreement on 5 employees and whether they are to be counted as positions where savings would need to be identified.

Correction - "CFID" = CIFD

Council Aide - At about 38%, aiming for 50+1 for union recognition, will be standalone MOU

Any questions from Governors? (none)

## 7) COMMITTEE REPORTS

*Committees marked with an asterisk\* are created by EAA's Constitution and By-Laws.*

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There are three motions from Executive Committee, 1/6/26 - no second required

**Motion # 2** - Motion to transfer Board Of Governor Christina Youssef from the At Large Governor position to MOU 20 Governor.

Ayes: Hall, Youssef, Cornejo, Cruz, Barbarena, Samaan  
Motion Approved

**Motion #3** - Motion to appoint Dave Somers to the At Large Governor position.



Somers is excited to serve on the Board once again and advancing labor in the city in a very dynamic way and excited

Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena, Hall, Samaan  
Motion Approved

Governor Somers is now taking action in the meeting as a member of the Board of Governors.

**Motion #4** - Motion to proceed with a member wide vote for the proposed change to By-Law II.3, that was approved by the BOG on May 14, 2025. The election will be held from April 6, 2026, to April 10, 2026, and will be facilitated by the Election Committee.

Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena, Hall, Somers, Samaan  
Motion Approved

Elections Committee will need to notified to carry out election duties

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE\* & TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Finance Committee met on 1/8/26. The Treasurer provided a report to the Board of Governors via email on 1/10/26.

Two months of reviews were conducted, finances remain healthy and strong.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

No update

#### **RACIAL & GENDER EQUITY COMMITTEE**

No update

#### **CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

No update



## YOUNG WORKERS COMMITTEE

No update

## POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

There were eight motions submitted by the PAC, no second required.

There are 4 sets of motions bundled for each Office

**MOTION #5**- Recommend that the EAA Board of Governors endorse Marissa Roy for the City Attorney Primary Election.

**MOTION #6** - Recommend that EAA contribute \$1,800 to Marissa Roy's Los Angeles City Attorney Primary Election campaign.

Motion #5 and Motion 6

Moved by the PAC, No Second is Needed

Ayes: Cornejo, Youssef, Barbarena, Hall, Somers, Samaan

Abstentions: Cruz

**MOTION #7** - Recommend that the EAA Board of Governors endorse Faizah Malik for the City Council District 11 Primary Election.

**MOTION #8** - Recommend that EAA contribute \$1,000 to Faizah Malik Los Angeles City Council District 11 Primary Election campaign.

Important to note that the incumbent voted against the budget, effectively against the City Council's proposal to save EAA jobs.

Motion #7 and 8

Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena,

Motions approved

**MOTION #9** - Recommend that the EAA Board of Governors endorse Estuardo Mazariegos for the City Council District 9 Primary Election.

**MOTION #10** - Recommend that EAA contribute \$1,000 to Estuardo Mazariegos's Los Angeles City Council District 9 Primary Election campaign.

Motion #9 and 10

It is an open seat as Curren Price is termed out

PAC interviewed 4 candidates

Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Barbarena, Hall, Somers, Samaan

Abstain: Youssef

Motions approved



**MOTION #11** - Recommend that the EAA Board of Governors endorse City Controller Kenneth Mejia for the City Controller Primary Election.

**MOTION #12** - Recommend that EAA contribute \$1,600 to Kenneth Mejia's Los Angeles City Controller Primary Election campaign.

Motion to amend the amount to \$1800, the maximum contribution allowed for this Office  
Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena Hall, Somers, Samaan

Motion #11 and 12

Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena, Hall, Somers, Samaan

Motions approved

One other race pending

## 8) NEW BUSINESS

### **MOTION #13**

Motion to appoint member Lacey Beattie to the Scholarship Committee.

Moved by Samaan (2nd required)

This committee does a tremendous amount of work and the committee has lost several members. This would help make sure the Committee Chair does not burn out.

Moved by Samaan, Seconded by Youssef

All in favor: All

Motion Approved

### **MOTION #14**

Motion for EAA to send comment letter to the Charter Reform Commission to ask them to REJECT the attempt to strip the Controller of their oversight responsibilities and support City Controller Mejia's six Charter Reform recommendations.

Motion to approve sending a letter opposing charter amendments that strip roles from the Controller's office. Governor Somers will provide via e-mail a link to the letter from Controller Mejia.

There is a "turf war" between the CAO and Controller, attempting to remove some of the Controller's function from the City Charter

When Governor Somers became involved in the union is due to a desire for more transparency in the financial stability of the city.

Controller enshrined as the chief financial officer of the City in the Charter. Governor Youssef has a background in financial auditing and it is important to enshrine in the Charter that the Controller is designated as Chief Financial Officer and Chief Auditing Executive.

Moved by Somers, Seconded by Hall



Ayes: Cornejo, Cruz, Youssef, Barbarena, Hall, Somers, Samaan  
Motion Approved

## **9) CLOSED SESSION**

## **10) GOOD AND WELFARE**

Go Rams!

## **11) ADJOURNMENT**

Wednesday, January 14, 2026 20:08

Jackelyn Cornejo