

Minutes-Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
April 4, 2019

Called to order by Josh Dome and convened at 6:40pm.

Board members present: Josh Dome, Dan Wierzba, Sue Ingles, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Edward Eadon, Laura Stoland, Zach James, Melodie Metzger and November McIlhargey

Dominique Djedje was absent.

A quorum was present.

Also present: OCS Executive Director, Stephanie Edwards; OCS Director, Kristy Mack-Fett; Ayanthy Peiris of Excellent Education.

CLOSED SESSION: Board Members Only

Public Employee: Contract Approval-Position: Executive Director and Director.

CLOSED SESSION: Board Members and Administrators Only

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to section 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiator – Agency designated representatives: Chastin Pierman, Stephanie Edwards and Kristy Mack-Fett. Employee Organization: OCTA

Kristy Mack-Fett and Stephanie Edwards joined the meeting at 8:10pm.

The board reconvened to Open Session at 8:27pm.

Actions taken in closed session;

MOTION: Jason Haas moved to adopt the co-executive director contract for Stephanie Edwards, as amended, for the 2018-2021 school years. Dan Wierzba seconded the motion. Josh Dome, Dan Wierzba, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Edward Eadon, Zach James, Melodie Metzger and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Laura Stoland and Sue Ingles abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Josh Dome moved to authorize Jason Haas, Josh Dome and Laura Stoland to negotiate, finalize, execute and approve Kristy Mack-Fett's contract in accordance with the Board's discussion for the 2018-21 school years. Dan Wierzba seconded the motion. Josh Dome, Dan Wierzba, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Edward Eadon, Zach James, Melodie Metzger and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Sue Ingles voted against the motion. Laura Stoland abstained. Motion passed.

Open Forum

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Josh Dome expressed gratitude for the work of the faculty, administrators, Board and parents in bringing our Waldorf program to our students.

Site

The Board members were able to take a tour of the Panama site before the Board meeting. They were able to see the progress on the grades classroom building and the preparations for additional steel structures going up in the next few weeks.

There were no change orders requiring Board approval this month.

Finance

Ayanthy Peiris presented the February 2019 financial statements and check register. OCS shows an operating net loss of \$24,000 compared to the \$17,000 operating net income in the budget. This is due in part to decreased ADA and lower unduplicated pupil counts. Forecasted enrollment has been adjusted to 523 from 519 based on enrollment trends.

MOTION: Sue Ingles moved to approve the February 2019 financial statements and check register. Melodie Metzger seconded the motion. Josh Dome, Dan Wierzba, Sue Ingles, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Edward Eadon, Laura Stoland, Zach James, Melodie Metzger and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Motion passed.

Director's Report

Stephanie Edwards provided the director's report to the Board. We received our annual site visit report from LAUSD. All scores for OCS were good and we received favorable feedback from the district team conducting the review.

The administration is planning to hold a public Waldorf teacher training this summer. The weeklong Summer Institute training will be hosted at the OCS campus. More information will be shared as the event is launched.

The administration has been meeting with ACG leadership and community members to reevaluate the mission and structure of the ACG. They have renamed the group the OCS Parent Collective. More information about the changes to the group will be shared at the next Board meeting.

WASC Update

The Governance Committee met to discuss the WASC self-study process. Edward Eadon is working on one of the Board components of the self-study. OCS teacher, Katelynn Jaques is helping with the educator's portion. Stephanie Edwards will be visiting a school in San Diego later this month as a WASC evaluator and hopes to return with helpful information about our school's participation in the process.

Approval of Minutes

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The Board reviewed the minutes from the regular Board meeting on March 7, 2019.

MOTION: Josh Dome moved to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2019 Board meeting. Edward Eadon seconded the motion. Josh Dome, Dan Wierzba, Sue Ingles, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Edward Eadon, Laura Stoland, Zach James, Melodie Metzger and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31pm.