Minutes-Unapproved Ocean Charter School Special Board Meeting August 12, 2016

Called to order by Joshua Dome, Chair and convened at 7:11pm.

Board members present: Lori Andrade, Joshua Dome, Edward Eadon, Jason Haas, Sue Ingles, November McIlhargey and Laura Stoland.

Mark Galanty and Michael Krutz were absent.

A quorum was present.

Also present was Executive Director Stephanie Edwards, Director Kristy Mack-Fett, Gordon Engstrom of Excellent Education, Ron Johnson of Rd Hook, and OCS Nancy O'Rourke, Katelynn Jacques, D'Arcy Geanakos, Tamar Kern, Katy Gannon and Kit Olbris.

The board convened to closed session at 7:12pm.

CLOSED SESSION: Board Members and Administration Only

Pursuant to paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9. Existing Litigation: OCR Complaint No. 09-16-1297. Anticipated Litigation: 1 matter. Counsel: Matejka Handley

OCTA members joined Closed session at 7:50pm.

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

OCTA members left Closed Session at 8:20pm. The Board and Administration resumed Closed Session.

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The board reconvened to Open Session at 8:53pm.

There were no action items to report from Closed session.

Open Forum

Joshua Dome shared a quote from Rudolf Steiner.

MOTION: Joshua Domes moved to switch agenda items 5 Finance and 6 Site.

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Edward Eadon seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Joshua Dome, Edward Eadon, Jason Haas, Sue Ingles, Laura Stoland and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Motion passed.

Site

Josh Dome announced the unanimous approval of the Ocean Charter Panama Street Project by the Del Rel Neighborhood Council (DRNC) Site Committee. He expressed his gratitude to the DRNC and thanked OCS Board members, Administration, families and community members who supported OCS at the various meetings.

Ron Johnson of Red Hook, project manager for OCS, reviewed the Panama Street Project process and timeline. We are currently at 50% approval of construction documents by LAUSD, and anticipate 100% approval by early September. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will analyze health and environmental impact and the California Department of Education (CDE) will review proposed classroom and outdoor play areas per the site plan. The Board and Administration are working on documentation for Financial Soundness approval which is required to convert our Prop 1D funding by May 4, 2017.

Kristy Mack-Fett played a video of the proposed new Ocean Charter school site.

Finance

Gordon Engstrom of Excellent Education reviewed the June 2016 financial statements. Despite a corporate gift, the 2016-2016 fiscal year ended in a \$91,000 loss due to unanticipated legal costs and special education instructional consultants.

The mandated block grant rate for 2016-2017 will be less per student than the prior year, resulting in a total shortage of \$10,000.

MOTION: Joshua Dome moved to accept the June 2016 financial statements and check register. Sue Ingles seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Joshua Dome, Edward Eadon, Jason Haas, Sue Ingles and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Laura Stoland abstained. Motion passed.

The Board reviewed the FY2015-16 Unaudited Actuals Report submitted to LAUSD.

ACTION ITEM: At the September 1, 2016 meeting, the Board will compare the 2016-2017 Budget to Actuals for 2015-2016 and 2014-2015 as a Financial Soundness exercise.

Strategic Plan

The Board reviewed the draft OCS 2016-2021 Strategic Plan.

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MOTION: Joshua Dome moved to adopt the OCS 2016-2021 Strategic Plan with OCS Administration edits to Goals 1-4. November McIlhargey seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Joshua Dome, Edward Eadon, Jason Haas and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Sue Ingles and Laura Stoland abstained. Motion passed.

Brown Act Training

The Board discussed online options for Board member Brown Act Training as well as a possible Board meeting session. Training will be completed in September 2016.

Directors Report

At this time, all Kindergarten classes are enrolled to 26 or 27, however, Enrollment numbers are tentative until school begins and will continue to fluctuate for at least the first few weeks as families make decisions about their school options.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the June 23, 2016 Board meeting.

MOTION: Joshua Dome moved to approve the minute from the June 23, 2016 Board meeting. Sue Ingles seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Joshua Dome, Edward Eadon, Sue Ingles and November McIlhargey voted in favor. Jason Haas and Laura Stoland abstained. Motion passed.

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Setting of Next Agenda

The next regular board meeting is scheduled to begin at 7pm on September 1, 2016.

Joshua Dome adjourned the meeting at 10:56pm.