

Minutes-Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
April 16, 2015

Called to order by Joshua Dome, Chair and convened at 7:41pm.

Board members present: Joshua Dome, Jill Hayashi, Sue Ingles, Jason Haas, and Mark Galanty.

Wendy Teeter and Tim DeRoche were absent.

A quorum was present.

Also present were Executive Director Stephanie Edwards, Director Kristy Mack-Fett, OCS teachers Megan Helms and D'Arcy Geanakos, and Gordon Engstrom from Excellent Education.

November McIlhargey arrived 7:50pm.

CLOSED SESSION: Board Members only

Pursuant to section 54957 Public Employee: Performance Evaluation-Position: Executive Director.

At 8:00pm Ms. Edwards and Ms. Mack-Fett joined the meeting.

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

The board reconvened to open session at 8:30pm.

There were no actions to report from closed session.

Open Forum

Jon Preston spoke about legislative issues that affect charter schools positively or negatively. Senate Bill 277 requiring vaccinations (-) for OCS; Assembly Bill 1344 charter school zoning (+); SB 329 denial of charter petitions (-); AB322 expulsions and suspensions (-); AB 1998 CA credit enhancement program (+); AB 1426 blended learning (-); and AB 787 appointment of charter school board members (-)

Finance

Gordon Engstrom from Excellent Education distributed the February 2015 financial statements and check register. There is a projected \$41,000 net income in 2014-2015 compared to the projected \$37,000 net income in the board-approved budget. Reasons for the positive \$4,000 variance is primarily due to lower salary costs for

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instructional aides and aftercare staff than expected. Gordon also discussed funding synopsis for 2015-2016

Motion: Mark Galanty moved to accept the February 2015 financial statements and check register. Joshua Dome seconded the motion. Joshua Dome, Sue Ingles, Jill Hayashi, Jason Haas, November McIlhargey, and Mark Galanty voted in favor. Motion passed.

Gordon spoke about the features and benefits of Paycom. ExEd recommends moving to Paycom for payroll services for cost effectiveness. Paycom costs more money but includes more functionality and accessibility for OCS administration

Motion: Jason Haas moved to authorize the OCS administration to enter into a new contract with Paycom on the terms presented to the board. Joshua Dome seconded the motion. Joshua Dome, Sue Ingles, Jill Hayashi, Jason Haas, November McIlhargey, and Mark Galanty voted in favor. Motion passed.

Audit Subcommittee Recommendation

The Audit Subcommittee reviewed and recommended OCS administration to enter into a new contract with Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP.

Motion: Jill Hayashi moved to authorize the OCS admin to enter into a new 3-year contract with Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP. Joshua Dome seconded. Joshua Dome, Sue Ingles, Jill Hayashi, Jason Haas, November McIlhargey, and Mark Galanty voted in favor. Motion passed.

Site

Members of the site committee discussed possible development and financing partners. No viable private sites have been identified at this time.

The district is checking properties for co-locations all over LAUSD and may have new RFPs coming out

Director's Report

The board reviewed the director's report and discussed the topics listed therein.

Diversity Outreach Update

Administration updated the board on student diversity and outreach efforts. OCS's goal has been a 3% increase each year over the next 5 years. The district recently asked for information on what OCS is doing to reach this goal. The board reaffirms its support and commitment to increasing our diversity efforts. Administration recommends making diversity outreach marketing a priority.

Approval of Minutes

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The board reviewed the minutes from the board meeting held on March 5, 2015.

Motion: Mark Galanty moved to approve the board meeting minutes from March 5, 2015. Joshua Dome seconded. Joshua Dome, Sue Ingles, Jill Hayashi, Jason Haas, November McIlhargey, and Mark Galanty voted in favor. Motion passed.

Setting of Next Agenda

The next regular board meeting is scheduled to begin at 7pm on May 7, 2015.

Joshua Dome adjourned the meeting at 9:42pm.