

Minutes-Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
May 7, 2015

Called to order by Joshua Dome, Chair and convened at 7:02pm.

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

Wendy Teeter was absent.

A quorum was present.

Tim DeRoche arrived at 7:07pm.

Also present were Executive Director Stephanie Edwards, Director Kristy Mack-Fett, OCS teachers Tomasa Mendoza and Megan Helms, and Gordon Engstrom from Excellent Education.

CLOSED SESSION: Board Members only

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

At 7:24pm 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 8:00pm.

There were no actions to report from closed session.

Open Forum

Jill Hayashi announced that she and her family would be relocating to San Diego this summer. She plans to end her board service at the conclusion of her term on June 30, 2015. The board members expressed gratitude for her service.

Joshua Dome announced that Wendy Teeter will also end her board service at the conclusion of her term on June 30, 2015. He asked that board members be thinking about board member recruitment and bring forward potential candidates.

Finance

Gordon Engstrom from Excellent Education distributed the March 2015 financial statements and check register. There is a projected net income of \$99,000 in 2014-

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2015 compared to the projected \$37,000 net income in the board-approved budget. Reasons for the positive \$63,000 variance is primarily due to lower salary costs for certificated and classified staff.

Gordon provided a 2015-16 preliminary budget. This preliminary budget will be submitted to LAUSD on May 8, 2015, as is required. Additional budget planning will be undertaken at a public finance meeting in the coming weeks. The board will have a draft budget from that public finance meeting to review in June.

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

Site

Members of the site committee are in regular communication with contacts at LAUSD to determine what, if any district land may be coming available through the RFP process. Although the committee is still looking for any private land available, no viable private sites have been identified at this time.

The committee is receiving feedback on our augmentation grant application. Although our application was denied, we are learning about ways to increase the likelihood of acceptance of any future submission.

Director's Report

Stephanie Edwards distributed the May 2015 Director's Report. The report included information about our Diversity/Outreach efforts. The administration is interviewing candidates to work with the school to intensify our diversity outreach and marketing efforts. This person would work to help us reach our diversity goal for student enrollment that is at least 45% white, 55% non-white, also increasing our EL, Hispanic/Latino and NSLP-eligible population by 3% per year.

The administration also shared their preliminary plans to undertake WASC Accreditation. It is believed that such an accreditation will increase our profile as a distinguished school in the community. The process of applying for accreditation is also a growth experience for our faculty, staff, board and community and brings with it many opportunities to further hone best practices.

Approval of Minutes

The board reviewed the minutes from the board meeting held on April 16, 2015.

MOTION: Joshua Dome moved to approve the April 16, 2015 board meeting minutes. November McIlhargey seconded the motion. Joshua Dome, Sue Ingles, Jill

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Hayashi, Jason Haas, November McIlhargey, Tim De Roche and Mark Galanty voted in favor. Motion passed.

Setting of Next Agenda

The next regular board meeting is scheduled to begin at 7pm on June 4, 2015.

Joshua Dome adjourned the meeting at 8:47pm.