Minutes–approved Ocean Charter School Governance Committee Meeting May 25, 2023

Called to order by Ed Eadon, Governance Committee Chair and convened at 5:35pm.

Present: Edward Eadon; Sue Ingles; Stephanie Edwards; Debbie Tripp; Rebecca Peabody

Absent: Tammy Stanton and Joshua Stokes

A quorum was present.

Open Forum: There were no items presented for discussion.

Review and possible approval of April 27, 2023, Governance

Committee meeting minutes: Draft minutes had been distributed for members to review. Ed moved that we accept the minutes and the motion was seconded by Debbie. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Review and possible approval of 2023-2024 Governance Committee meeting calendar: Stepanie presented the calendar for our committee meetings during the 2023-2024. There was no discussion on the proposed dates.

Discussion of Alliance for Public Waldorf Education Self-Study and the Core Principles of Waldorf Education: Sue has taken the lead to cycle through these Core Principles at the Board level annually. Stephanie reported that work continues with the faculty and staff as we move towards fulfilling requirements for full membership in the alliance.

Discussion of Board Continuity Reference actions: Ed has completed a merged glossary as a reference document for the index. Debbie was asked to investigate how we might create a Board Google drive that would hold all current documents in the index and serve as a comprehensive repository for approved documents. Once a document (e.g., revised ByLaws) was approved, it would be posted there. This could move our website towards automatic updates.

Discussion of WASC Schoolwide Action Plan aligned with LCAP: The Schoolwide Action Plan update is due in April 2024. Discussion suggested that LCAP plans might be able to be cut and pasted into this plan so we keep our actions focused and consistent. Additionally, we will need to reestablish focus groups to assure input from all stakeholders. It was suggested that Kristy will take the lead on this action.

Update on Board actions: Discussions on this topic covered a wide range. Ed

identified that he had joined the MVWS Board and suggested that we consider the social change mission of Waldorf schools by tapping into speakers who may be in the area for private schools (e.g.,Kim Payne) by inviting them to speak to our parents. We also discussed where to keep Board materials including confidential documents withDebbie's investigation into an overall OCS Google administrator account being a possibility.

Discussion and review of proposed Bylaw revisions: Ed indicated that he and the Board President, Laura Stoland, plan to discuss YMC recommendations with regard to suggested changes and discuss this at the next Board meeting. Some of their recommendations were confusing. Our goal is to get ByLaws updated and approved by the end of this calendar year.

Discussion and inquiry about Board membership. Ed notified the committee that he had received an inquiry about the potential for a Board member being an employee of OCS. He responded that there were currently only restrictions on teachers joining the Board.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:57pm

Next Meeting scheduled for Sep 21 Minutes prepared by Ed Eadon