

Minutes-Approved  
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting  
April 7, 2022

**Called to order by Laura Stoland and convened at 6:09pm.**

Board Members Present: Laura Stoland, Sue Ingles, Ed Eadon, Anna Berk, Dan Wierzba, and Mark Galanty,

Board Members Absent: Tammy Stanton, Dominique DjeDje, November McIlhargey, and Jason Haas

A quorum was present.

Also present: OCS Executive Director, Stephanie Edwards; OCS Executive Director, Kristy Mack Fett; and Craig McIntosh and Samira Estilai of Excellent Education.

**Open Forum**

A member of the community said he felt the board exhibited insufficient empathy toward the unvaccinated.

**Finance**

Craig McIntosh presented the February financial report. The projected net operating loss is projected to be \$600. Enrollment is still 11 below budget at 560.

Kristy led a review of the balance sheet and discussed the responsibility of all board members to be familiar with the balance sheet.

**MOTION: Mark Galanty moved to accept the February 2022 financials and check register.** Dan Wierzba seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

**MOTION: Mark Galanty moved to accept the second interim financial report.** Laura Stoland seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

Stephanie recommended that we open a Home Depot account, since we have significant expenditures at Home Depot for woodworking and other supplies and for evergreen trees for winter faire.

**MOTION: Mark Galanty moved to open a Home Depot account.** Anna Berk seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

Stephanie recommended closing the bank account at Capitol One, as we don't use it and it has a balance of only \$10. There was discussion of whether this would affect the school's credit rating. Since the school has no credit card or line of credit, only a bank account, there was consensus that the account could be closed

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**MOTION: Mark Galanty moved to close the Capital One account.** Ed Eadon seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

### **Governance**

Ed reported that the committee had not met this month.

### **Executive Director Evaluation Process**

An Executive Director evaluation task force was appointed. The Board members on the task force will be Laura Stoland, Ed Eadon, and Anna Berk.

### **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

Kristy reported that work is proceeding on the equity plan and that a final draft is expected by the end of the school year.

**MOTION: Laura Stoland moved to appoint November McIlhargey to the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee.** Mark Galanty seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

### **Directors' Report**

Stephanie reported that the last parent information meetings of the year had been completed via zoom and that in-person tours were planned before the end of the school year. She noted that the middle school is nearly full and that there are a few spots open in first grade.

Stephanie reported that the LAC Health Department had conducted a surprise visit of the kitchen and that we received the highest possible scores. There are plans to add breakfast and snacks for the coming school year.

Stephanie also reported on the recent 3 part (K-1, 5-8, and 2-4) socially distanced Open House. Participation from families was close to 100%.

Play season is in full-swing, with plays being presented in the outside amphitheater and in the gym/performance space. Kristy reported that in person class meetings have resumed.

Spring Faire is planned to include an in-class segment and an after-school segment.

Stephanie reported that the LAUSD annual review is still ongoing.

Kristy reported that among OCS students aged 12+, >70% are vaccinated against covid and that there have been no positive tests in the last four weeks.

The executive directors are currently interviewing teacher candidates for the next school year and are making plans for summer school and summer camp.

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Kristy followed up on the previous month's discussion of the annual calendar. She clarified that while the number of work days is negotiated with the union, the calendar is not negotiable. However it has been OCS tradition to work with teachers collaboratively to set the calendar for the upcoming year. After conferring again with the teachers, she was able to report that the teachers consider the February Renewal week to be very important and that admin requests the board to approve the calendar as presented.

**MOTION: Laura Stoland moved to accept the 2022-23 school calendar.** Mark Galanty seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION: Anna Berk moved to approve the minutes from the March 10, 2022 Board meeting.** Ed Eadon seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

The Board convened to closed session at 7:01pm.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to section 54957 Public Employees: Performance Evaluation and Contract –  
Position: Executive Directors

**Reconvene to Open Session**

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:44pm. There were no actions to report from closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.