

Minutes-Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
June 2, 2022

After an initial problem with the Zoom account, Laura Stotland called the meeting to order and convened at 6:36pm.

Board Members Present: Laura Stotland, Ed Eadon, Anna Berk, Dan Wierzba, Mark Galanty, Jason Haas, Dominique DjeDje

Board Members Absent: Tammy Stanton, November McIlhargey, and Sue Ingles

A quorum was present.

Also present: OCS Executive Director, Stephanie Edwards; OCS Executive Director, Kristy Mack Fett; and Craig McIntosh (ExEd).

Open Forum

An OCS parent spoke about the influx of deadly opioids laced with fentanyl in the area.

Finance

Craig McIntosh presented the April financial report. With the assumption that hold harmless will pass, the 21-22 Operating Net Income is currently projected at \$313K. Enrollment is 12 below budget at 560.

MOTION: [Dan Wierzba](#) moved to approve the April financial report and check register. Mark Galanty seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor and the motion passed.

A credit line for Chef's Toys lunch program was deferred to a later meeting.

Contract approvals for the next year (attached material on each contract were submitted to board members prior to the meeting). The following contracts were presented for review, discussion and approval: Charter Safe (insurance), Power School (classroom/student management system), ExEd (back office support), and School Food and Wellness Group (SFWG), LLC.

Board members commented on some preparation materials being provided only shortly before the meeting which complicated the review process.

MOTION: Jason moved to authorize the OCS Administration to enter into contracts for Charter Safe, Power School, ExEd, and SFWG on terms similar to or more favorable to OCS than terms presented to the Board. Mark Galanty seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor and the motion passed.

Craig McIntosh provided an initial FY2022/23 budget discussion presentation which included funding assumptions not yet codified by the legislature. He provided

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a spreadsheet of the budget which allowed comparison to our prior year budget. The preliminary budget is due to LAUSD on June 15. After some initial questions, board members were concerned that this budget had not been vetted by the Finance Committee and therefore deferred action to a later meeting.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEIC)

Dominique DjeDje reported that the committee was putting final touches on the Equity Plan which they hope can be brought to the August Board Meeting. She thanked all those involved in helping with this effort which has taken a year and a half.

Governance

Ed Eadon reported on actions by the committee in reviewing the ByLaws, discussing a board member attendance policy/process, and board training.

The board discussed the composition of the board and what should be changed with the departure of Jason Haas at the end of the month. His contributions will be celebrated at a separate event. [Laura Stoland](#), the Board President, commended Anna Berk for her strong contributions during her tenure on the board and indicated we were looking forward to the Parent Collective election results for her replacement. It was determined that an odd number of board members would be best to reduce the possibility of deadlocks.

MOTION: Jason Haas moved to reduce the OCS Board of Trustees membership to 9 as of July 1, 2022. Ed Eadon seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

Directors' Report

No separate written report was provided prior to the meeting. [Stephanie Edwards](#) discussed hiring challenges and issues, but commented that they had found really good counselors to provide student emotional support. The school had a safety inspection from the LAPD with positive observations. There is a Universal Pre-K Planning Grand (UPK) equivalent to our TK for 4 year olds. This may require a special board meeting on June 28.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Dan Wierzba moved to approve the minutes from the April 7, 2022 Board meeting. Mark Galanty seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

MOTION: Mark Galanty moved to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2022 Board meeting. Jason Haas seconded the motion. All Board members voted in favor. Motion passed.

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The Board convened to closed session at 7:57pm.

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 8:05pm. There were no actions to report from closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm.