

Minutes-Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
September 1, 2022

Board Members Present: Laura Stoland, Jennifer Jacobus, Tammy Stanton, Sue Ingles, and Dominique DjeDje

Board Members Absent: Ed Eadon, Mark Galanty, and Dan Wierzba

A quorum was present.

Also present: OCS Executive Director, Stephanie Edwards; and from Excellent Education, Ayanthy Peiris.

Open Forum

Dickie spoke about families leaving OCS due to covid regulations.

Ms. Aly introduced several leadership students who spoke about the dress code.

Andrew talked about having volunteered to assist with parking at OCS events and expressed a desire to see a copy of the agreement that OCS has with the neighborhood council so that he could reference it when dealing with members of the OCS community who don't want to follow the rules of driving and parking on Panama.

Rachel expressed hope that affinity groups will be revived this year.

Finance

Rachel spoke about the Annual Family Giving (AFG) drive. Laura stressed the importance of AFG because the one-time covid-related funds, which kept the school going during the pandemic, will be going away.

Ayanthy presented the May financial report. Total Net Income at FY21-22 year-end was \$8K. Operating Net Income was \$132K and Site Project Net Loss was \$125K. Cash at year end was \$1.5 million, reflecting an 18.5% reserve without having to draw on the line of credit. After asking Ms. Stephanie a question about the after-school enrichment program, Dominique requested that the administrators decide who is the lead on the after-school classes program. Laura requested that after school classes be offered no later than the first week of classes for future sessions noting that the school loses revenue when classes don't fill because students have already signed up elsewhere by the time OCS announces its classes.

MOTION: Dominique DjeDje moved to approve the June 2022 financial report and check register and the Unaudited Actuals as of June 30, 2022. Tammy Stanton seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor and the motion passed.

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Stephanie reported on the Ontario Refrigeration contract. After negotiation, the company has agreed to modify the contract according to board request, including Net 30 billing, 4 years to file legal action, and no attorney fees.

MOTION: Dominique DjeDje moved to approve the contract. Sue Ingles seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor and the motion passed.

Review of Committee Membership and Board Terms

Dominique expressed her willingness to continue serving on the board when her current term expires.

MOTION: Laura Stoland moved to reappoint Dominique DjeDje to another 3-year term. Jennifer Jacobus seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor and the motion passed.

It was noted that the DEI committee is in need of another board member since November has resigned from the Board. Appointment of another member was tabled so that the entire board could discuss it in October.

Director's Report

Stephanie introduced Ms. Marshall, who is a retired Special Ed teacher and now works in the aftercare program. Stephanie reported on Back-to-School night, which was well attended. She also spoke about the upcoming All Community Folk Dance.

Tammy requested, for the next board meeting, a report on the expanded learning opportunity program.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Laura Stoland moved to approve the minutes of August 8, 2022.

Tammy Stanton seconded the motion. Jennifer Jacobus abstained. All others were in favor and the motion carried.

MOTION: Laura Stoland moved to approve the minutes of August 18, 2022.

Tammy Stanton seconded the motion. Jennifer Jacobus abstained. All others were in favor and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:03.