

BLUE OAK CHARTER SCHOOL  
450 W. East Ave., Chico, CA 95926  
Charter Council  
Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 7th, 2013

APPROVED Minutes

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OPEN SESSION - 6:00 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

2. INVOCATION

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

|                     | Present      | Absent |
|---------------------|--------------|--------|
| Tighe O'Neill       | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Heather Altfeld     | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Louthea Griffin     | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Lyn Herrod          | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Claire Hutkens Seda | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Jeff Plotnick       | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |
| Eric Berg           | <u>  x  </u> | _____  |

4. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS

None

5. AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

None

6. REPORTS

6.1 Administrative -

Nathan introduced Susan Powers as our new Business Manager with CSMC. Charter Vision reports were presented followed by discussion for clarification. Beginning of conversation to move Board meetings from 1<sup>st</sup> Tues to 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of each month in service of more accurate financial reporting. Update on the "Smarter Balanced Assessment" - our server is in compliance. Discussion followed about the process of getting our students ready for mouse-heavy assessment.

6.2 Parent Council Report -

Meet the Charter Council forum was held. Joc Clarke will take Heather Altfeld's seat. No applications have been received for our open Community seat. Summer shared that the parents have begun an inquiry about defining the "no-media clothing" policy guidelines.

6.3 Teacher Report -

STAR testing began today. All seems to be going well. Clarifying the dress code will benefit the teachers as well. Ally presented the 5<sup>th</sup> grade main lesson books for the Board’s review.

- 6.4 Committee Reports -  
Election committee - no report  
Finance committee - no report

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Item 7.2 pulled for question.

- 7.1 Approval of February Special Meeting Minutes
- 7.3 Approval of overnight Field Trip 8<sup>th</sup> Grade to Nature Bridge Marin County June 2<sup>nd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>

| Roll Call Vote:     | Aye          | Nay   |
|---------------------|--------------|-------|
| Tighe O’Neill       | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |
| Heather Altfeld     | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |
| Louthea Griffin     | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |
| Claire Hutkens Seda | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |
| Jeff Plotnick       | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |
| Lyn Herrod          | <u>  x  </u> | _____ |

Jeff moved that we approved the Consent Agenda. Heather seconded.

Ayes   7        Nays   0      Abstained   0      – *motion carried*

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 7.2 Approval of April Regular meeting minutes

Claire moved to approve April Regular minutes. Heather seconded.

Ayes   7        Nays   0      Abstained   0      – *motion carried*

- 8.1 MOU with Steiner College re: teacher training program  
Nathan presented MOU. Discussion followed regarding audit privileges, fingerprinting and requirements for entry. Louthea requested verification that no teacher will be required to submit to further testing as a requirement for entry and that a current credential satisfies basic core competency. The Board requested clarity regarding ‘progress report’ - directive to redline contract to say ‘grade and narrative’ rather than ‘progress report’.

Jeff moved to table approval of MOU until June Meeting. Louthea seconded.

Ayes   6        Nays   1   (Heather)    Abstained   0      – *motion carried*

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Next year's schedule of Regular Board meetings Proposed Change to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday

Action tabled until June meeting.

9.2 End-of-Year Survey

Discussion about timing required. Lyn & Heather will create survey for distribution.

9.3 Admin Review Process

Review committee needs to be convened that does not include Tighe or Eric.  
Reminder that review of administrator must be held at regularly scheduled meeting.  
Jeff will head the committee.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Chair moved meeting into closed session at 8:09 pm

10.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS title: Teacher

10.2 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS title: Principal

10.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS title: Executive Director

Reconvene to open session at 9:35 pm

Public report on action taken

No action taken in closed session.

11. FUTURE CHARTER COUNCIL MEETING

11.1 Date of Next Meeting JUNE 11th, 2013, 6:00pm

12. COMMENTS FROM THE CHARTER COUNCIL - Agenda items for next meeting

- Discussion of who will be appointed to empty community seat. Eric nominates Portia Cerudi-Fairbanks

- Louthea - formal self-assessment of Board, including time management

- Revised leave policy

- 2 closed session contract negotiations & administrative review

- Board change over

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:42 pm.