

Blue Oak Charter School
450 W. East Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
FINANCE COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING

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Tuesday, December 14th, 2021 - 4:15 PM

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Mission: To nurture and deepen each child's academic and creative capacities using methods inspired by Waldorf education in a public school setting.

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AGENDA

OPEN SESSION - 4:15 PM

1. OPENING

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

- Amber Brown called the meeting to order at 4:20PM.

1.2. Roll Call of Committee Members and Establish Quorum

- Present: Amber Brown, Chairun Combs, Kate McDonald, Susan Domenighini (arrived late)

1.3. Invocation - School Verse Read

"This is our school, May peace dwell here, May the rooms be full of contentment. May love abide here, Love of one another, Love of our school, and Love of life itself. Let us remember that as many hands build a house, So many hearts build a school."

- Kate McDonald read the school verse.

1.4. Audience to Address the Committee

This is the opportunity for members of the community to address the committee concerning items not on the

agenda. Persons addressing the Committee will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes for their presentation. Persons may not yield their time to another speaker (Gov. Code § 54954.3)

➤ No audience members were present to address the council.

1.5. Agenda Modifications

➤ No agenda modifications were made.

1.6. Approve Minutes from November 10th, 2021

➤ Chairun Combs made a motion to approve the minutes from November 10th, 2021. Maggie Buckley seconded the motion.

➤ Vote.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Susan Domenighini				X
Amber Brown	X			
Kate McDonald	X			
Chairun Combs	X			
Maggie Buckley	X			

➤ Vote passes.

1.7. Teleconferencing During State of Emergency

State of Emergency (§ 8625)

➤ The Finance Committee acknowledged the use of teleconferencing during this state of emergency until further notice.

2. FINANCIAL REPORTS

2.1. Charter Impact Monthly Report

Jim Weber, Charter Impact

2.1.1. Attendance and Enrollment

2.1.2. Cash Flow

2.1.3. Balance Sheet Detail

2.1.4. Warrants/Aged Payable

2.1.5. Actual to Budget Summary (part of the Financial Forecast in the Charter Impact Report)

2.2. Point of Sale Transactions/Check Register

➤ Susan Domenighini joined the meeting.

➤ Jim Weber, from Charter Impact, gave a presentation on the November financial report via Powerpoint. Currently, Blue Oak is operating at a 4 million dollar budget because of extra funding but the ongoing funding our school has now is around 3 million dollars. The BOFC and BOCC have both discussed the need to overspend this year but Jim just wanted to point out that there are high costs associated with continuing to operate at this level. At the moment, Blue Oak's forecasts' loss at this level. Jim Weber also reviewed upcoming compliance deadlines.

➤ Chairun Combs made a motion to recommend the reports to the board for approval. Kate McDonald seconded the motion.

➤ Vote.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Susan Domenighini	X			
Amber Brown	X			
Kate McDonald	X			
Chairun Combs	X			
Maggie Buckley	X			

- Vote passes.
- BOFC discussed some ways to reduce the high operating costs and how to boost ADA funding while working out some technical difficulties.

3. SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL DESIGN TASK FORCE

3.1. Preschool Program

Riley Murray


- Riley Murray presented a proposal for a preschool program at Blue Oak. Riley received feedback from our community via an online poll but did not receive as much feedback as she hoped for. The data presented gave hope that the program would be successful, however, she would like additional feedback for the price range of this program. She has been using her Waldorf education/background knowledge to craft this plan but is struggling to find a good price point for our families while also sustaining the program. Also, Riley ran this plan past other Waldorf certified teachers and talked with other schools about price points, etc. The proposed plan is to start with children around 2 ½ at the youngest age to about 4 ½ since that is when our Kindergarten starts to accept students. Riley is also working with Susan to discuss the type of credentialing for employees, etc. Blue Oak would become part of the system to be subsidised and would become part of the preschool system in Butte county.
- Board members pointed out that when she was looking for preschool options for their own children, they found prices ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 a month. Additionally, this price fluctuated depending on other factors such as potty training, etc. Board members also felt that there would be a greater need in the Chico community for this program other than those families that we already have at our school; they are hopeful this program would be a success as well. Most board members agreed that the age range suggested sounds good to start out with.
- At this time, the Finance Committee did not take a vote. A more detailed financial proposal will be presented in January to outline information regarding staffing and program budget. For now, this information will be presented to the BOCC to begin discussion and collect more input.

4. NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, January 11th, 2022 at 4:15PM

5. ADJOURNMENT

- Amber Brown adjourned the meeting at 4:56PM.

Minutes Taken By: Alexandra Archer

Approved by:  Date: 1/26/2022