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Room 24
CHARTER COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING APPROVED MINUTES

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Monday February 20, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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AGENDA

OPEN SESSION - 6:00 PM

1. OPENING

- 1.1. Call Meeting to Order at 6:05pm.
- 1.2. Roll Call of Council Members to establish a quorum

Name	Present	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	X	
Kristen Woods	X	
Laurel Hill-Ward	X	
Leanna Glander		X
Ryan Sanders	X	
Donna Kreskey	X	
Trisha Atehortua	X	

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.”

1.4. Agenda Modifications - No agenda modifications.

1.5. Audience to Address the Council

This is an opportunity for members of the community to address the council concerning items not on the agenda. Council Members will not respond to comments due to Brown act expectations concerning agendas. Persons addressing the Committee will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes for their presentation. The chair may establish a maximum speaking time for any item.

Persons may not yield their time to another speaker (Gov. Code § 54954.3)

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approve Special Meeting Minutes from January 22, 2024

2.2. Attendance and Enrollment Annie Gilbert Charter Impact

2.3. Cash Flow

2.4. Balance Sheet Detail

2.5. Warrants/Aged Payable

2.6. Actual to Budget Summary

2.7. Point of Sale Transactions/Check Register (Jan.2024)

2.8. Credit Card Statement (Jan 2024)

2.9. Field Trip Approval Medieval Games (6th grade)

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda - Kristen Woods
Second - Laurel Hill-Ward

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Kristen Woods	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Leanna Glander				X
Ryan Sanders	X			
Donna Kreskey	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			

3. FACULTY

3.1. Faculty Report

Nick Meier/Sarah Lee

Nick Meier shares reports for 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, and 8th grades.

4. BUSINESS -

4.1. Audit

Susan Domenighini

The audit is done! Everything was satisfactory. We did have an issue with our independent study. The teachers were not dating the contracts before the work went out; they were instead dating the work afterwards. This was a finding on our audit that put us out of compliance. It will cost us about 32k in funding that will be returned for ADA. That was a processing issue. Our policy states that we are to date the work upon return. This has since been corrected. Motion to approve the audit by Donna Kreskey. Trisha Atehortua seconds the motion. Vote.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Kristen Woods	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Leanna Glander				X
Ryan Sanders	X			
Donna Kreskey	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			

Approved.

4.2. LCAP mid-year review -

Board reviews last year's LCAP. Everything in the LCAP is presently in process. Goals reviewed. Teacher credentialing for our Handwork Teachers has been an issue. Monterey Waldorf School was able to remedy this by credentialing their Handwork Teachers and Susan is currently working with them on this process for our teachers. We have implemented the Educator's Handbook to improve our student incident reporting. There are items that we are working on for school safety that will also be reported in our LCAP review. We have found a new site that we are hoping to purchase and move to in the future. This information will also be added. We are managing our own lunch program and have voted for healthier school lunches which is another goal that is being worked toward. We started working on the Community School Partnership Grant which Caren Lehe will be talking a little about and how equity, diversity and inclusion is a big part of this work. We are working on professional development. Curriculum has been added. We have added a math assessment for students that has been very helpful to teachers. Grade level team meetings have been implemented with goal setting. We are using four questions; What do we want students to learn? Did they learn? What would we do if they did? What would we do if they didn't? This helps us address both students that are and are not learning.

We are looking at a new math curriculum for 1st through 5th grades. We hope to get a good articulated career tech education process but this does require that we connect with a high school. We have had some discussions with Inspire School of Arts and Sciences but it is a process that will take more time so we do not expect this to be completed this school year. Some of the programs we have do not match with career tech education specifically. So, there is some work to do with this as an LCAP goal. Discussion. Motion to approve the LCAP mid-year review by Trisha Atehortua. Second by Kristin Woods. Vote.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Kristen Woods	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Leanna Glander				X
Ryan Sanders	X			
Donna Kreskey	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			

Approved.

4.3. BCOE Lan Contract (3yr)

This is a renewal of an ongoing agreement between the Butte County Office of Education and Blue Oak School to support our Local Area Network services. They help us with all things technology. We have not gone out to look for other contracts as we are very happy with their support. Motion to approve the contract by Laurel Hill-Ward. Second by Donna Kreskey. Vote.

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Vicki Wonacott	X			
Kristen Woods	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Leanna Glander				X
Ryan Sanders	X			
Donna Kreskey	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			

Approved.

5. GOVERNANCE

5.1 Parent Council Report -

Ryan Sanders

Ryan reports on activity within the Parent Council. There was a “Sharing our Skills” event for adults recently that was hosted by the Parent Council. This was a community building effort. The next event that is planned is called “Sharing our Stories” modeled after TED Talks. The May Fair is scheduled for May 4th. The Annual Spring Concert is scheduled for May 16th. The Oaken Lands Music Festival is scheduled for April 21st at the Chico Women’s Club. This fundraiser is being planned to fund the 7th grade annual trip to Ashland.

5.2 Facilities Report

Kristen Woods

We are moving forward with the process of procuring a new facility. There was a discussion about getting community involvement, inviting more parents to attend Facilities meetings and getting the word out that this is happening. We are in the very beginning of the escrow process. We have presented and approved Measure K funding for the purchase of this property. We are asking the district to purchase this property for us with these funds. This is now being facilitated by the district who will be working with Dan Gonzales. Legal discussions are occurring at this time.

6. ADMINISTRATION

6.1 Executive Director’s Report

Susan Domenighini

Valentine’s Day in the kindergarten was extra special this year as Susan got to sit with a kindergartener during their tea party and this was delightful. Susan is working with BCOE on Differentiated Assistance. They have started meeting regularly to discuss improving processes to support SPED and Hispanic students. Good news to share regarding chronic attendance. In 2022 we had 41.2% chronic attendance. This means that these students had 18 or more days absent. Last year we went down to 34.4% and as of today we are at 27.3% chronic attendance! Hispanic students were at 37.7%. This year we are at 21.4%. SPED students were at 47.4% and this year we are at 27.3% attendance! The Finance Committee was not able to meet and vote last week due to not having a quorum. We have five groups represented but only had three groups represented in attendance. This is a Brown Act Committee that has struggled with membership for quite some time. Looking at ways to reach out and recruit members. Last month the board requested enrollment data however it was connected to the behavior conversation and this was a concern because of student confidentiality. This month there is work being done with our Registrar to collect data to present that will include enrollments and exits as a school wide report instead of by classroom and or grade level. We went to CEI and Caren is here with me tonight to report on this. There are different types of data. Street Data vs. Satellite Data, both are valuable in highlighting the success of students. Two quotes that were impactful, “Marginalized voices are not voices in need but voices of power” and “We should not have to ask for a seat at the table”. A special Thank You to Caren Lehe and Linda Hovey who worked very hard on the grant application and fingers crossed it will come through for us. The grant is a little over 1.248 million dollars over 5 years.

6.2 Behavior Update -

Susan presents behavior data over two months for minor referrals. There are two categories of referrals: office referrals and minor referrals. Discussion.

6.3 Community Partnership -

Caren Lehe discusses her work as the Community School Partnership Coordinator for Blue Oak School, the CEI Partnership work that is being done and how our Diversity Goals are rooted in this work. .

6.4 Diversity Goals - Discussion combined with **6.3**

7. NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, March 26, 2024 at 6:00PM

8. ADJOURNMENT 8:30 pm

Minutes Taken By: Maggie Buckley

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

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