

BLUE OAK CHARTER SCHOOL
450 W. East Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
(Room 24)
CHARTER COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING APPROVED MINUTES
Tuesday, November 18, 2025 06:00 PM

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***Vision:** To be a model for successful education of the whole child.*

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

***Virtues:** Hold Reverence - Have Courage - Build Friendships - Seek Wisdom - Show Compassion*

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AGENDA

OPEN SESSION - 6:00PM

1. OPENING

- 1.1.** Call Meeting to Order 6:04pm
- 1.2.** Roll Call of Council Members to establish a quorum

Name	Present	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x	
Laurel Hill-Ward	x	
Donna Kreskey	x	

Trisha Atehortua	x	
Lauren Cesca		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

Lauren Cesca arrives -6:06pm

1.5. Audience to Address the Council No audience members addressed the council.

This is an opportunity for community members 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 Regular Meeting Minutes (October 2025)

2.2. Charter Impact Monthly Report Jim Weber

2.2.1. Cash Flow

2.2.2. Balance Sheet Detail

2.2.3. Warrants/Aged Payable

2.2.4. Actual to Budget Summary

2.3. Point of Sale Transactions/Check Register (October 2025)

2.4. Credit Card Statement (October 2025)

Laurel Hill-Ward motion to approve the consent agenda. Second by Donna Kreskey.

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			
Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

3. FACULTY

3.1. Faculty Report

Cheryl Grant

Emily Swanson

Emily Swanson presented a beautiful faculty report of the current happenings within our classrooms.

4. BUSINESS

4.1. Executive Director Hiring

Discussion

We are still working on outreach for an interim director through the end of the school year.

4.2. 8th grade Field Trip (SantaCruz) 5-4-2026

Discussion/Action

Motion to approve the 8th grade field trip by Trisha Atehortua. Second by Laurel Hill-Ward.

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			
Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

4.3. William's Settlement monitoring 2025-26

Discussion/Action

Motion to accept the report Donna Kreskey. Laurel Hill-Ward second motion,

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			

Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

4.4. Looping

Discussion

Review of policy - approval of this policy will be on next month's agenda. We would like to implement this starting next year. With this policy in place the teachers will loop 1st through 4th grade or 5th through 8th grade. However, they will still have the option to ask to continue from 4th grade through 8th grade.

5. GOVERNANCE

5.1. Facilities Committee Report

Trisha Atehortua

We have not had a meeting for a while - we are waiting to finalize Prop 28 application. In the December meeting we will discuss the current building and lease.

5.2. Finance Committee Report

Susan Domenighini

Lauren reports out on the last finance committee meeting. Not a lot of changes since the September meeting. We did receive a grant from the Chico Horticulture Society for \$300 for our garden but will officially approve this next meeting as it is not on the agenda for this meeting.

5.3. Attendance/ Behavior

Susan Domenighini

Susan reviews the attendance and behavior report. The behaviors have gone down. We are down 12% from last year.

5.4. Part 2 Training Retreat

Discussion

Scheduled time for the next BOCC Ethics Training is on Dec 3 from 5:30 to 8:30. Link to be sent out.

5.5. Prop 28 proposal

Susan Domenighini

We have struggled a little with this because the grant requires us to create “new” programs to spend the \$\$ on. We are exploring different ways to provide dance ceramics, ukelele's eurythmy theater etc. We are also looking at bringing music lessons to lower grades. We are looking at an exemption for what we can use the money on. Since we are under 500 students we might be able to use the funding for programs already in place. 1% can be used for overhead. This is a proposition, which is funded by the citizens of California so the citizens would have to vote to take this funding away. The amount received may vary but this is a pretty secure funding that we can expect will continue. If we don't use it we lose it.

40k per year in funding.

Motion to approve Trisha Donna seconds

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			
Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

5.6. E-Rate Mgmt. Services Agreement

Discussion/Action

Motion to approve by Trisha Atehortua. Second motion by Donna Kreskey.

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			
Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

5.7. Charter Renewal Agreements

Discussion/Action

We would like to hire a consultant to write our charter renewal for this year. The contract reviewed total cost 15k.

Motion to approve the contract by Donna Kreskey. Second by Trisha Atehortua.

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott	x			
Laurel Hill-Ward	x			
Donna Kreskey	x			
Trisha Atehortua	x			
Lauren Cesca	x			

➤ Vote passes

6. ADMINISTRATION

6.1. Executive Director's Report

Susan Domenighini

Susan reports on the many happenings of the last month. Updates to come on our current location and negotiations with our landlords and Enloe. Prop 39 application is underway with CUSD. We want them to understand our program needs before they offer us a site location. Shout out to New Life Community Church of Chico! They are helping us support families with our annual Christmas adopt a child gift giving. This year they are supporting up to 50 children in need. We are so grateful for their unwavering support.

NEXT MEETING - Tuesday, December 16 , 2025 at 6:00 PM

8. ADJOURNMENT 7:43pm

Minutes Taken By: Maggie Buckley

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Name	Present	Absent
Vicki Wonacott		
Laurel Hill-Ward		
Donna Kreskey		
Trisha Atehortua		
Lauren Cesca		

➤ Vote

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Vicki Wonacott				
Laurel Hill-Ward				
Donna Kreskey				
Trisha Atehortua				
Lauren Cesca				

➤ Vote passes