# BLUE OAK SCHOOL
## 450 W. East Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
## (Room 2)
## CHARTER COUNCIL (BOCC) REGULAR MEETING
## APPROVED MINUTES
## Tuesday August 25, 2026 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**

**OPENING**

**1.1.** Call Meeting to Order 6:02pm

**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

"*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 None

**1.5.** Audience to Address 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)*

No audience members addressed the council.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**1.6.** Approve Special & Regular Meeting Minutes (June 2026)
**1.7.** Credit Card Statement ( June 2026)
**1.8.** Point of Sale Transactions (June 2026)

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Trisha Atehortua. Second by Laurel Hill-Ward.

➢ Vote

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

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| Trisha Atehortua | x | | | |
| Lauren Cesca | | | | x |

➢ Vote passes

**FACULTY**

**1.9.** Faculty Report Cheryl Grant

No slide show tonight - We are all excited for this new school year. Our new teachers are amazing and our mentors are really working hard to support them. The new teachers will be going into the classrooms to observe veteran teachers during main lessons. Emily asks the board if they have any questions for faculty. Vicki asks about artwork on our modular buildings. Will we be painting? Anything we paint on the buildings will have to be painted over when we return the buildings.
Trisha asks how is it going with our new SPED teachers? We know they are very kind. It is only the second week of the school year so we are excited, hopeful. They are learning about us as a team and our Waldorf pedagogy.

**BUSINESS**

**1.10.** SELF Schools Excess Liability Fund 2026-27 Discussion/Action

This is excess liability insurance that we are required to have with Chico Unified. It is in addition to the insurance we already have. This is the same company we have used in the past. Motion to approve by Trisha Atehortua. Donna Kreskey second.

➢ Vote

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

➢ Vote passes

**1.11.** Every Table Meal Vendor Agreement 2026-27 Discussion/Action

This is our new food vendor for the school lunch program. They will be supporting us on this campus and at our new site. They deliver 2 days a week. We are working through some challenges with delivery and we have been getting excess food (at no cost to us), so we are offering it to after-school care. It is not illegal to give the food away. The food is reported to be delicious. Motion to approve by Trisha Atehortua. 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

**1.12.** 25th Anniversary Resolution Discussion/Action
Discussion of resolution. Lauren Cesca arrival 6:21pm
Motion to approve by Trisha Atehortua. Second by Laurel HIll-Ward.

➢ Vote

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

➢ Vote passes

**1.13.** Classified Pay Scale Update Discussion/Action
We are adding a new line to the classified pay scale- Student Services Coordinator- that will better describe what this position encompasses. Lauren Cesca motion to approve. Second by Donna Kreskey.

➢ Vote

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| Vicki Wonacott | x | | | |
| Laurel Hill-Ward | x | | | |
| Donna Kreskey | x | | | |
| Trisha Atehortua | x | | | |
| Lauren Cesca | x | | | |

➢ Vote passes

**1.14.** BOCC Meeting Calendar 2026-27 Discussion/Action
Motion to approve the meeting calendar by Laurel Hill-Ward. Second by Trisha Atehortua.

➢ Vote

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| Vicki Wonacott | x | | | |
| Laurel Hill-Ward | x | | | |
| Donna Kreskey | x | | | |
| Trisha Atehortua | x | | | |
| Lauren Cesca | x | | | |

➢ Vote passes

**GOVERNANCE**

**1.15.** Facilities Committee Report Trisha Atehortua

Mobile modular is set to deliver the new buildings in October. The move date is TBD but maybe in December. Things are underway for sewer, plumbing, electrical, internet.
Playground equipment will be removed in Nov.
PG&E is working on the energization date -

Prop 2 was officially approved. 11.1 million to go towards the permanent site.

**1.16.** Finance Committee Report Lauren Cesca

Lauren Cesca reports on the last meeting with the finance committee.

HIGHLIGHTS

• 26/27 Initial Budget: Enrollment 200, ADA 180 (90%)
We are under this projected budget. There are plans underway to increase enrollment and attendance by the end of September.

• Revenue budget $3.76 million, including one-time funds $143K (LREBG)

• Expenses budget $3.69 million

• Budget surplus forecast of $75K.

• Cash as of July 31st is $227K, representing 23 days cash on hand.

Abigail Segobia is our new Faculty representative on this committee.

**ADMINISTRATION**

**1.17.** Executive Director's Report Tim Drury

Tim shares his slide show.

Thank you's go out to Kat and the Maintenance Crew really got this place ship shape! Many say the building and grounds have never looked this good. Thank you to Maggie & Kellie Machi who worked tirelessly all summer to meet deadlines and prepare for the new school year. The teachers have done a phenomenal job supporting the new teachers and me. My mom passed away a few weeks ago. I will be attending her funeral this week. A special thanks to Trisha Atehortua for all you have done to bring this school and site to life. I am so grateful for your hard work and commitment to this school.
We are looking for a school psychologist. We hired someone we were excited to work with; however the week before school started she decided to accept another position closer to Grass Valley where she lives. We are so fortunate that Jolynn Annenson, who was our school psychologist for the past several years. She has agreed to support us for a few weeks with assessments. Some of our parents are a little nervous about the construction workers on campus. We are working hard to answer questions. We are working to promote the school in its 25th year. Hunter Hamblin is the outreach and marketing coordinator promoting our school this year. She is responsible for the great T-shirts that all students and staff were provided and many of the social media posts you are seeing now. She also created an advertisement at the local Cinemark that many have reported seeing. We have received lots of excited feedback from the community and even some enrollments from this advertisement.
The groundbreaking at the new school site was successful and fun. We took lots of pictures that have been shared on social media.
All of our new and returning teachers went Waldorf training over the summer.
Our music teacher Emily Swanson went to Suzuki training. This is an intensive string instrument training for music teachers and a great opportunity.
SPED teachers also attended training in Sacramento to prepare them for the school year.

We are busy streamlining all processes within the school from Dreams & Expectations that teachers used to have to complete annually in August to how we are assessing student success. Shout out to Doug Keister, a local author and photographer, for the drone pictures of our new site.
Class meetings are happening this week.

**NEXT MEETING - September 15, 2026 at 6pm**

**8. ADJOURNMENT - 7:14pm**

Minutes Taken By: Maggie Buckley

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

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

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| Lauren Cesca | | | | |

➢ Vote passes