

Blue Oak Charter School
450 W. East Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
CHARTER COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Parent Center

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 - 6 pm

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.*

LCAP Goal Summary: Build the parent community, support success for all students, and prepare students for high school

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AGENDA

OPEN SESSION - 6 PM

1. OPENING - 5 Minutes

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

➤ At 6:04 pm Nena Anguiano called the meeting to order.

1.2. Roll Call of Council Members and Establish Quorum

➤ Chelsea Parker, Nena Anguiano, Trisha Atehortua, Monica McDaniel, Laurel Hill-Ward, Vicki Wonacott.

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, Love of life itself. Let us remember that as many hands build a house, So many hearts build a school."

➤ Chelsea Parker read the school verse.

1.4. Agenda Modifications

➤ No agenda modifications.

2. AUDIENCE TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL - 5 Minutes

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)

➤ Parent addressed the council in regards to school's response on their student's suspension.

3. CONSENT AGENDA - 10 Minutes

- 3.1. Approve Minutes from March 13, 2019
- 3.2. Warrants
- 3.3. Point of Sale Transactions
- 3.4. Cash Flow
- 3.5. Actual to Budget Summary
- 3.6. Balance Sheet Detail
- 3.7. Accept Donations/Thank Yous
- 3.8. Accept Technology Equipment Improvements

➤ Laurel Hill-Ward made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Trisha Atehortua seconded.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Monica McDaniel	X			
Chelsea Parker	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Nena Anguiano	X			

➤ Motion passes

4. GOVERNANCE - 15 minutes

- 4.1. Finance Committee

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➤ Chelsea Parker discussed that the Finance Committee voted to recommend to the Charter Council approval of the changes to the budget. Trisha Atehortua asked about how the FEMA process is going, Susan Domenighini responded that it has now been obligated to the state.

- 4.2. Facilities Committee

M McDaniel

➤ No Facilities Committee last month.

- 4.3. BOCC Elections

- 4.3.1. Appoint a Chair

➤ Susan Domenighini noted that we need to appoint a chair to oversee the BOCC Elections, mainly to be there to help count ballots. Trisha Atehortua stated she could do it.

➤ Monica McDaniel made a motion to nominate Trisha Atehortua the chair of the BOCC elections committee. Chelsea Parker seconded.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Monica McDaniel	X			
Chelsea Parker	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			

Nena Anguiano	X			
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➤ Motion passes

5. ADMINISTRATION - 30 Minutes

S Domenighini

5.1. Executive Director's Report

- Susan Domenighini discussed testing and how that is going well. Susan Domenighini also discussed reviewing the process for our new SPED department, looking at the number of students that need to be assessed. The state reached out regarding two performance indicators, in which we are red in two areas. We have a high number of SPED students opting out of testing. We are looking at how to effectively improve that number.
- Susan Domenighini has been speaking with Mary Lou Snodgrass, a local counselor, to provide additional counseling services to Blue Oak School.
- Susan Domenighini discussed that the Education Director position has been hard to fill, mainly due to the Waldorf Certification component, but that component is necessary for this role.
- Susan Domenighini discussed the LCAP survey results, and how parent/staff input went down, but student input was up thanks to technology class. The Charter Review Committee is also looking at our goals and how it reflects what we do.
- Susan Domenighini lastly discussed that we have paid off the remainder of our factoring this month.

5.1.1. Enrollment and Attendance

- Susan Domenighini discussed that we still have work to do on our attendance, but our ADA is higher than what we budgeted for.
- Nena Anguiano asked how the incentives for attendance have been going. Susan Domenighini discussed that it is now really in the plans for next year, as this year it has been hard and complicated to implement.
- Nena Anguiano asked about whether the limited LCAP response was sufficient to provide useful feedback that can be utilized. Susan Domenighini responded that she felt it was.
- Nena Anguiano asked about Mary Lou Snodgrass supporting the teachers more directly. Susan Domenighini responded that this will not fall specifically under Mary Lou Snodgrass, but other BCOE services have been trickling in.
- Trisha Atehortua asked if the attendance numbers are comparable to last year, Susan Domenighini responded that they were slightly down this year. More analysis will be done.
- Chelsea Parker pointed out that we have budgeted conservatively, which means that we have had some breathing space in the months post Camp-Fire.
- Susan Domenighini went over the details of the flood and the impact on the school and what is being done to address it. Thankful for all those who helped the evening of the flood.

5.2. Budget Approval

- Susan Domenighini, Susan Lefkowitz, and Maggie Buckley met to go over the budget line by line. Looked at unexpected costs such as SPED, technology updates, additional security measures, which have created changes to the budget. We also needed to pay off the remainder of our legal bill.
- Chelsea Parker made a motion to approve the revised budget as presented. Laurel Hill-Ward seconded.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Monica McDaniel	X			

Chelsea Parker	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Nena Anguiano	X			

- Motion passes
- 5.3. Classified Pay Scale
- Susan Domenighini discussed the classified pay scale, making it effective 1/1/2020 to move with the minimum wage increases happening yearly.
- Chelsea Parker made a motion to approve the classified hourly pay scale effective 1/1/2020. Monica McDaniel seconded.

Name	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Monica McDaniel	X			
Chelsea Parker	X			
Trisha Atehortua	X			
Vicki Wonacott	X			
Laurel Hill-Ward	X			
Nena Anguiano	X			

- Motion passes
- 5.4. Safety Sub Committee Policy Proposals
 - 5.4.1. Firearms
 - 5.4.2. Sexual Harassment
- Susan Domenighini discussed this is a first read, next month these policies will be up for approval. Laurel Hill-Ward asked if Firearms needs its own policy, or could it be combined with a more general weapons policy. The policies have been cross-referenced with CUSD and BCOE so that Blue Oak School can have policies and section numbers that reflect similar.
- Chelsea Parker asked if we have sufficient signage showing that our building/sidewalk/road are part of a school zone. Some discussion regarding our use permit/MOU and the limits on reducing the speed limit out front. Susan Domenighini pointed out that we do have a sign out front that does show we are a school. However, we could possibly put more signage out there.
- Tighe O'Neill pointed out the need for gender neutral language in the Sexual Harassment policy. The Charter Council agreed to the use of they/them/their in place of he/she/him/her.

6. CLOSED SESSION - 30 minutes

- 6.1. Conference with Real Property Negotiations (§ 54956.8)
- 6.2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal Release (§ 54957)
- 6.3. Conference with Labor Negotiators (§54957.6)
- Tighe O'Neill and Susan Lefkowitz asked to join closed session.

7. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION - 5 minutes
8. NEXT MEETING - May 21, 2019 - 6 pm
9. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes taken by: Ellie Khorasani

Approved:  Date: 5/21/19