

Minutes – Approved
Ocean Charter School Board Meeting
June 7, 2007
Ocean Charter School
12606 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles 90066
Called to Order 7:17 pm by Leo Trujillo-Cox, Board Vice-Chairman

Present: Lori Andrade, Kami Cotler, Jefferson Eliot, Deborah Fryman, Jason Haas, Sara Maun, Alex Metcalf, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Wendy Teeter, and Leo Trujillo-Cox. Patti Binder and Joan Wicks were absent. A quorum was present. Cissy Stanford joined the meeting at 7:30 p.m..

Open Forum

Director-Designate Dr. Peter Samaranayake expressed his happiness at becoming Ocean Charter School's new Director.

Beth Rendeiro asked for recognition of the lengthy board service of Tamar Kern and of other former Trustees.

Finance

Treasurer Wendy Teeter reported that the state had announced the funding of Senate Bill 740, which provides partial reimbursement to charter schools for the cost of their facilities. The Finance Committee conservatively added \$70,000 of the greater anticipated revenue to the draft 2007-2008 budget. Given this funding, the Board consensus was to add additional funding for Spanish language instruction and for administrative salaries to the current draft budget. The Board agreed to defer any other increases in planned expenditures pending further analysis of current and future School needs.

Leo Trujillo-Cox left the meeting at 8:20 p.m..

Donor Development

Co-Director Alex Metcalf reported on several of the donor development events that are being planned for 2007-2008.

5th Grade Task Force Report

Task Force member Deborah Stambler announced that assessments of the current 5th grade students were underway and that certain students would be invited to receive two weeks of tutoring during the summer. Co-Director Metcalf reported that the tutoring would take place at OCS facilities and that OCS's insurance policy would cover the participating individuals, but that the tutoring will not be paid for by the School. Administrator Kristy Mack-Fett and Trustee Sara Maun asked that a policy be developed to determine which teachers would be permitted to offer such programs in the future.

ACTION ITEM: OCS Administration and Faculty to develop a policy to address future proposals for providing on-site educational programs not offered by the School.

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Co-Directors’ Report and Discussion

Co-Directors Metcalf and Cotler answered questions relating to their Board reports and discussed issues relating to the North Campus.

MOTION: Alex Metcalf moved that OCS adopt the 2007-08 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs. Lori Andrade seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Sara Maun, Nancy O’Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, and Wendy Teeter voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

Transition Planning

Trustee Beth Rendeiro suggested that a written plan be prepared to address OCS’s transition to a new Director.

ACTION ITEM: Director-Designate Dr. Peter Samaranayake will identify any areas where Board input would be useful in conducting the Director transition and bring a list of these to the next Board meeting.

Closed Session

The Board adjourned into closed session at 9:25 p.m. pursuant to Brown Act sections 54957.9. Director-Designate Dr. Peter Samaranayake, Administrator Kristy Mack-Fett, and Trustee-designate Jeannie Elmstrom were in attendance. The Board discussed pending litigation. No actions were taken during the closed session. Closed session adjourned at 9:47 p.m..

Meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m..

Respectfully submitted by
Jason Haas, Secretary
OCS Board of Trustees