



Minutes – Approved
Ocean Charter School Special Board Meeting
October 4, 2007

Ocean Charter School
12606 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles 90066
Called to Order 7:03 pm by Joan Wicks, Board Chairman

Present: Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas, Stacey Lisker, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Peter Samaranayake, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, Joan Wicks, and Julie Yarnall. A quorum was present.

Open Forum (Opportunity for Public Comments)

Several OCS parents brought up issues with respect to school security and recess supervision. Director Peter Samaranayake proposed initiating a safety committee. School safety will also be addressed as part of the charter renewal process.

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Lori Andrade moved to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes from August 30, 2007. Beth Rendeiro seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. Wendy Teeter abstained. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Lori Andrade moved to approve the Board Meeting minutes from September 6, 2007. Jason Haas proposed clarifying revisions and Lori Andrade moved to approve as amended. Wendy Teeter seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

Acknowledgement of Board Correspondence

Joan Wicks acknowledged the receipt of a letter to the Board from Ms. Maritza Mariego concerning handwork.

Directors' Report and Discussion

Director Peter Samaranayake reported on the status of candidates for math positions to support the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades and announced a change in Kindergarten school hours. He also announced the September 26, 2007 submission of the request for Proposition 39 Facilities.



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Charter Renewal

Peter Samaranayake provided an update on the Steering Committee's progress reviewing the various elements in the Charter Renewal application. Joan Wicks reiterated that the Board will review the final draft of the proposed document.

Finance

Tammy Stanton of ExEd reviewed the OCS August 2007 Financial Statements.

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved that the Board acknowledged receipt of and have reviewed the August 2007 OCS Financials. Joan Wicks seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Beth Rendeiro moved to rescind authority for approval of the monthly OCS Check Register from the Finance Committee. Nancy O'Rourke seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. Jason Haas opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved to accept the June Check Register. Nancy O'Rourke seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas and Leo Trujillo-Cox abstained. None opposed. Motion passed.

Treasurer Wendy Teeter reported that the Attendance Task Force's work is complete. She also named individuals interested in joining a Specialty Curriculum Task Force to address strategic planning and resource allocation for the Specialties program. These individuals included Beth Rendeiro, Angelica Lelan, Andrea Reibsamen, Terry Belcher, Laura Wilde, Tina Quirino, James Brennan, Kristy Mack-Fett. Peter Samaranayake will now take responsibility for constituting and convening the administrative task force.

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved that Janis Pretzlav be authorized to purchase Scrip via electronic debit system from OCS's bank account, with inventory not to exceed \$10,000.00. Nancy O'Rourke seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Jeannie Elmstrom, Jason Haas, Nancy O'Rourke, Beth Rendeiro, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.



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Fundraising

Nancy O'Rourke provided an update on the Pledge Drive receipts to date.

5th Grade Task Force

Parent Deborah Stambler provided an update from the 5th Grade Task Force. Recent testing of the 6th grade confirmed that math continues to be an area needing improvement.

Board Development

Joan Wicks reviewed the status of board questionnaires, resumes and biographies.

OCS Director Duties and Deliverables

Beth Rendeiro presented the revised OCS 2007-08 Director's Duties and will draft the Deliverables portion for the next Board meeting.

Closed Session

The Board convened into closed session at 10:01pm pursuant to Brown Act sections 54957.6, 54956.9 and 54956.8. Director Peter Samaranayake and Assistant Principal Kristy Mack-Fett were in attendance, then recused themselves from the meeting at 10:02pm. The Board discussed Public Employment, Director and Assistant Principal positions. Director Peter Samaranayake rejoined the meeting at 10:35pm. The Board then discussed pending litigation and real property negotiation. No actions were taken during the closed session. The Board reconvened to open session at 10:51pm.

Meeting adjourned at 10:51pm.

Respectfully submitted by
Lori Andrade, Secretary
OCS Board of Trustees