

Minutes - Approved
Ocean Charter Board Meeting
August 2, 2006
Ocean Charter School
12606 Culver Blvd., Los Angeles 90066
Called to Order: 7:10 pm by Joan Wicks, Board President

Present: Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Kami Cotler, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Alex Metcalf, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks. A quorum was present. Jason Haas and Deborah Fryman were added to Board at 8:00pm.

Open Forum (Opportunity for public comments)

No comments made.

Broke meeting for curriculum exercise led by Sara Maun. Leo Trujillo-Cox called meeting back to order.

Board Meeting Minutes Approval

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved to approve and adopt the minutes for the June 7, 2006 Board Meeting as record. Colleen Kelly seconded the motion. Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Leo Trujillo-Cox voted in favor. None opposed. Lori Andrade abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved to approve and adopt the minutes for the June 7, 2006 Board Meeting as record. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Leo Trujillo-Cox voted in favor. None opposed. Lori Andrade abstained. Motion passed.

Joan Wicks returned to meeting.

Appointment of Ocean Charter School Trustees

Candidates: Jason Haas, Deborah Fryman, Beth Rendeiro
Beth Rendeiro was not in attendance. Jason and Deborah answered questions. Board and community members commented on Beth's qualifications. Discussion occurred regarding the decision process.

MOTION: Leo Trujillo-Cox moved to appoint Beth Rendeiro to the OCS Board of Trustees 2-year Community Representative seat vacated by Tammy Stanton, effective immediately. Wendy Teeter seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Leo Trujillo-Cox moved to appoint Jason Haas to the newly created OCS Board of Trustees 3-year Community Representative Seat, effective immediately. Wendy Teeter seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Leo Trujillo-Cox moved to create an OCS Board of Trustees 1-year non-voting Community Representative Position. Joan Wicks seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Leo Trujillo-Cox moved to appoint Deborah Fryman to the OCS Board of Trustees OCS Board of Trustees 1-year non-voting Community Representative Position. Wendy Teeter seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEM: Joan Wicks will add Executive Committee to September Board Meeting agenda.

Election of Ocean Charter School Board of Trustees Officers

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to appoint Leo Trujillo-Cox as OCS Vice President through June 30, 2007. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Leo Trujillo-Cox abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to appoint Wendy Teeter as OCS Treasurer through June 30, 2007. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Wendy Teeter abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Wendy Teeter moved to appoint Joan Wicks as OCS President through June 30, 2007. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Leo Trujillo-Cox voted in favor. None opposed. Joan Wicks abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to appoint Jason Haas as OCS Secretary through June 30, 2007. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Wendy Teeter, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Jason Haas abstained. Motion passed.

Dispute Resolution Board Appointments

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to appoint Jason Haas, Lori Andrade, Tamar Kern, and Leo Trujillo-Cox of the OCS Hearing Board comprised of four board members in accordance with the OCS Complaint Policy. Colleen Kelly seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to appoint Beth Brinker as the OCS "Ombudsperson" in accordance with the OCS Complaint Policy. Patti Binder seconded the motion. Discussion about length of term occurred. Motion tabled.

The appointment of the OCS Grievance Resolution Committee comprised of three (3) non-bargaining unit board members in accordance with the Agreement between OCS and the Ocean Charter Teacher's Association, CTA/NEA was tabled until September Board Meeting.

MOTION: Patti Binder moved to rescind the OCS Hearing Board appointments to be revisited at

the September Board Meeting. Tamar Kern seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. Jason Haas and Jefferson Eliot opposed. Wendy Teeter and Leo Trujillo-Cox abstain. Motion passed.

Co-Director's Discussion

The Co-Directors notified the community of their intent to employ Hannah Merrall as a Kindergarten teacher, Jean Gasca as an Eighth grade teacher, Michelle Hedge as Resource Specialist with interim provisional permits.

MOTION: Alex Metcalf moved to ratify the following hires: Hannah Lavenburg Merrall as a Kindergarten teacher, Julie Yarnall and Karen Castle as First grade teachers, Nicole Pusateri as a Fifth grade teacher, Jean Gasca as an Eighth grade teacher, Michelle Hedge as a Special Education position, Kristy Mack-Fett as Deputy Director, and Valentina Vega as an Office Manager. Discussion about Deputy Director Position and the specific job duties occurred. Motion withdrawn.

Much discussion continued about hiring policy for administrative positions, the Deputy Director position and the specific job duties.

ACTION ITEM: Tamar Kern and Kami Cotler will discuss the job title and description of the Deputy Director Position and report back at the September Board meeting.

MOTION: Alex Metcalf moved to ratify the following hires: Hannah Lavenburg Merrall as a Kindergarten teacher, Julie Yarnall and Karen Castle as First grade teachers, Nicole Pusateri as a Fifth grade teacher, Jean Gasca as an Eighth grade teacher, Michelle Hedge as a Special Education position, Kristy Mack-Fett as Deputy Director, and Valentina Vega as an Office Manager. Jason Haas seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Tamar Kern, Sara Maun abstained. Motion passed.

MOTION: Leo Trujillo-Cox moved to continue Board Meeting until 10:20 pm. Jason Haas seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Tamar Kern, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Leo Trujillo-Cox, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Motion passed.

MOTION: Alex Metcalf moved to amend the dress code to allow for students to wear official OCS T-shirts to school. Kami Cotler seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. Leo Trujillo-Cox and Jefferson Eliot opposed. Tamar Kern abstained. Motion passed.

Alex Metcalf reported that the school would receive site visits during the fall in accordance with Charter renewal and WASC accreditation.

Alex Metcalf and Tamar Kern left the meeting at 10:30 pm.

MOTION: Joan Wicks moved to table rest of agenda. Wendy Teeter seconded the motion. Lori Andrade, Patti Binder, Jefferson Eliot, Jason Haas, Colleen Kelly, Sara Maun, Nancy O'Rourke, Cissy Stanford, Wendy Teeter, and Joan Wicks voted in favor. None opposed. Leo Trujillo-Cox abstained. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 pm

Respectfully submitted by
Wendy G Teeter, Secretary
OCS Board of Trustees