Yosemite Valley Charter School Board Meeting Minutes



November 18, 2021 at 5:15 PM | 3610 E. Ashlan Avenue, Fresno, CA 93726

Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/4183238475

Meeting ID:418 323 8475

Join by Phone: (669) 900-6833

Directors Present

Dr. Larry Jarocki, Jennifer McQueen, Jonna Durst, Dr. Angela Tos (remote), & Carrie Stumpfhauser (remote)

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

Dr. Laurie Goodman, Steph Johnson (remote), Jim Surmeian (remote), Yolanda Vazquez (remote), Dr. Steven James (remote) Lorraine Sewell (remote), Mariah Jordan, Maria Thoeni (remote), Denise Voth (remote), Jenny Plumb (remote), & Kmmi Buzzard (remote)

Minutes

- 1. Opening Items
- 1.A. Record Attendance
- 1.B. Call the Meeting to Order

Dr. Larry Jarocki called a meeting of the board of directors of Yosemite Valley Charter School to order on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 5:17 PM.

1.C. Flag Salute

Dr. Larry Jarocki led the Flag Salute.

1.D. Approval of the Agenda

Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the agenda.

Jennifer McQueen seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

Angela Tos made a motion to move Agenda Item 4.A. to be presented after Public Comment and prior to Agenda Item 1.F.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

1.E. Public Comment

There were no public comments made.

4.A. Discussion of the COVID-19 School Report

- Dr. Laurie Goodman shared the COVID 19-School Report.
- Jennifer McQueen asked about field trips. Dr. Goodman shared that the goal is to open in person field trip opportunities in January.
- Dr. Goodman shared the risk provider profile.
- Sarah Sanchez asked how we were able to meet in person.

1.F. Review & Approval of Minutes

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve the minutes for the Special Board Meeting on October 27. 2021 with a correction of the spelling of Dr. Angela Tos' name on page 10, item 5b.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion to approve the minutes.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

2. Finance

A. October 2021 Financials

Jim Surmeian presented the school's monthly financial report and shared what the First Interim Report means and how the budget is looked over. He shared how the accounting teams work on these reports along with the Charter Leaders.

Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the October 2021 Financials.

Dr. Angela Tos seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

B. First Interim Report

Jim Surmeian explained what the first interim report includes and the purpose/timeline.

Dr. Angela Tos made a motion to approve the first interim report.

Jennifer McQueen seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

C. High School Virtual Academy (HSVA) Term Sheet

Jennifer Mqueen made a motion to approve the High School Virtual Academy (HSVA) Term Sheet.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Academic Excellence

A. Academic Decathlon Joint Charter Agreement & Resolution

Denise Voth shared an overview of the Academic Decathlon program and a-g high school course.

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve Academic Decathlon Joint Charter Agreement & Resolution.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Board Metrics Chart

Dr. Goodman presented the Board Metrics Chart.

- The Board feels that this meets their needs and expectations to ensure they are briefed
 - regularly on key areas of the school program and operations.
- Dr. Jarocki asked if these will be public. Dr. Goodman shared they will be in the board packets but more information can be shared directly if suggested.

C. Transition & Counseling Program Updates

- Yolanda Vazquez shared that the new Mental Health Service language is being aligned to the 5 CASEL.
- A transition student showcase is being planned in January.
- The SEL class is focused on the application of the CASEL principles.
- A Career Fair is planned for February. The team is looking for volunteers to participate and share about their career. The Career Fair will stream live and be recorded.
- An Alumni Board is being created in the Fresno office.
- Alumni outreach has been done through email and USPS.
- New mental health resource, Headspace, is available to all 13-18 year old children.
- Dr. Tos suggested that if there are specific careers the school is looking for, to please reach out to the board members so they can reach out to their networks.

D. 2021-2022 Extended School Year (ESY)

Dr. Steven James presented the plan for students for ESY.

- Carrie Stumpfhauser asked for clarification on who would qualify for ESY. Dr. James shared that about 90% of participating/qualifying students are mod/severe, but others can qualify as well.
- Carrie Stumpfhauser asked when ESY is discussed. Dr. James shared that there are specific guidelines for ESY and that ESY is discussed with parents during IEPs.
- Dr. Laurie Goodman shared that the school has plans for summer school in June. So students that do not qualify for ESY, they could be able to participate in the summer program.

Dr. Angela Tos made a motion to approve 2021-2022 Extended School Year plan/dates. Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Declaration Fully Qualified Educators

Dr. James briefed the board on the difficulty of filling certain Special Education positions, particularly mild moderate certificated teachers.

Dr. Tos asked why only National University was listed and recommended that the school expands listing. Dr. Goodman shared that qualified interns could choose any program.

Jennifer McQueen asked how many interns may be used. What will the school do if a family does not want to work with an intern? Dr. Goodman responded the school will monitor the staffing and needs/desires of families.

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Educator Effectiveness Block Grant - Plan Presentation & Stakeholder Input

Dr. Laurie Goodman shared the purpose and timeline of the grant.

- Educator Effectiveness Grant funds are one time funds through 2026, so the focus is on enhancing programs that already exist.
- Carrie Stumpfhauser asked about the connection with the family survey. Dr. Goodman shared that a new survey was being developed.
- Carrie Stumpfhauser suggested the school include details about the SEL rollout and on item number 5, Critical Race Theory as there are families that are concerned about these topics.

The board elected to table this item until next month's meeting.

4. Operations

A. COVID-19 School Report

Dr. Laurie Goodman presented the current COVID-19 School Report earlier in the agenda.

B. School's Enrollment Report

Dr. Laurie Goodman recapped the Enrollment season for the 2021-2022 school thus far.

C. Paid Sick Leave (PSL), Personal Necessity Leave (PNL), & Time Off Balances Policy

Dr. Goodman shared the formalized Policy to address PSL, PNL, and Time Off Balances.

• Dr. Angela Tos asked if requests are supervisor approved. Dr. Goodman said the director/supervisor approved.

Dr. Angela Tos made a motion to approve the PSL, PNL, and Time Off Balances Policy. Jennifer McQueen seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Paid Sick Time Donations

Dr. Angela Tos commented that she is pleased to see this process be formalized.

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve the Paid Sick Time Donations Process and Forms.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Updated Administrator Evaluation Process & Timeline

Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the updated Administrator Evaluation Process & Timeline.

Jennifer McQueen seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

F. Revised Educational Vendor Policies & Procedures

Jennifer McQueen asked if guidelines can be provided to parents of what is approved and what is not. There is a concern there may be inconsistency in approvals as well as confusion of what is allowable and what is not.

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve the revised Educational Vendor Policies & Procedures with the correction to the year to 2021-2022.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

5. Governance

A. December Board Meeting Format

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to approve the hybrid format, both in person and virtual.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

7. Closing Items

A. Board of Director Comments & Requests

- 1. Board training for admin evaluations
- 2. Educator effectiveness grant with stakeholder input
- 3. Ordering guidelines prior to December Fund drop
- 4. Jennifer McQueen shared a family's experience with Dr. Steven James and how positive the interaction was.

B. Announcement of the Next Scheduled Board Meetings

December 9, 2021 at 5:15 PM

6.3. Adjourn Meeting

Jennifer McQueen made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Larry Jarocki

Prepared by: Mariah Jordan

Noted by:

Angela os (Jun 8, 2022 15:33 PDT)

Board Secretary

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