

Yosemite Valley Charter School

Board Meeting Minutes



March 24, 2022 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 (in person), Jonna Durst (in person), Dr. Angela Tos (remote), Jennifer McQueen (remote), & Carrie Stumpfhauser (in person)

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

Dr. Laurie Goodman, Stephanie Johnson, Mariah Jordan, Kimmi Buzzard (remote), Maria Thoeni (remote), Jim Surmeian (remote), Jenny Plumb (remote), Denise Voth (remote), Lorinda Riffel (remote), Amy Friesen (remote), Dr. Steven James (remote), Michelene Fitzgerald (remote), Lorraine Sewell (remote), Anna Wilkinsno (remote)

Minutes

1. Opening Items
1.A. Record Attendance
1.B. Call the Meeting to Order
Dr. Larry Jarocki called the meeting of the board of directors of Yosemite Valley Charter

School to order on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 5:17 PM.
1.C. Flag Salute
Dr. Larry Jarocki led the Flag Salute.
1.D. Approval of the Agenda
<p>Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the agenda. Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.</p>
1.E. Public Comment
No public comments were made.
1.F. Review & Approval of Minutes
<p>Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting on February 24, 2022.</p> <p>Jonna Durst seconded the motion.</p> <p>The board VOTED to approve the motion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Larry Jarocki - Aye ○ Jennifer McQueen - Aye ○ Carrie Stumpfhauser - Aye ○ Dr. Angela Tos - Abstain <p>The motion passed.</p>
2. Finance
2.A. February 2022 Financials
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Surmeian from Charter Impact shared the school's financial report. <p>Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the February 2022 Financials. Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion. The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.</p>
2.B. Auditor Selection Form
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jim Surmeian presented the school's Auditor Selection Form.

Dr. Angela Tos made a motion to approve the Auditor Selection Form.
Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion.
The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

3. Academic Excellence

3.A. Pupil Tiered Re-Engagement Report

- Steph Johnson shared how the school's Tiered Re-engagement Programs are going thus far this year. Some of the highlights include:
 - Minimum weekly check-ins with families
 - Virtual Academies
 - Intervention Program - 644 students participating in intervention with 60% showing an increase on their Star 360 and 79% showed improvement outside of Star which includes work samples and work progress.
 - Compliance process - 171 have been on compliance process with 22 being administratively withdrawn due to not complying with school policies such as providing work samples. Teachers have felt very supported with students being supported and providing information to enroll at their district residence independent study, private school, and other charters with in-person instruction, and more.
 - Dr. Jarocki asked how many total withdrawals have happened this year. Stephanie Johnson said there have been 168 withdrawals since January 1st, 2022 and will get total numbers for the school year.
 - Dr. Angela Tos wanted to point out that with 171 that went through the compliance process and only 22 being withdrawn, that is a high percentage rate of retention.

3.B. Virtual Academy Report

- Maria Thoeni presented information about the Elementary and Middle School Virtual Academy Programs including:
 - Who the program serves
 - Program overview
 - How the program gauges success - STAR 360
 - Parent feedback
- Carrie Stumpfhauser said there have been parent complaints from switching teachers mid-year and program and platform changes throughout the year which resulted in a lot of students withdrawing from the virtual academies. Carrie asked if there will be changes to combat that for next year?
 - Maria Thoeni said there were unanticipated staffing changes mid-year but they

are taking measures to recruit and retain staff that are passionate about the program and want to be long-term. They have also determined what curriculum and programs work best, taking parent and student feedback into consideration. Maria Thoeni is taking all feedback into consideration to make next year even better.

- Maria Thoeni introduced Lorrinda Riffel, the Virtual Academy Coordinator.

3.C. Educator Effectiveness Grant Report

- Dr. Laurie Goodman shared about how the grant funds have been used so far this year including:
 - Professional Development - Dr. Goodman shared that the grant is being used for the induction program and admin induction costs along with the cost for one employee who was approved for reimbursement for their SPED credential, that employee is in the process of obtaining their Mod/Severe credential.
- Full spending report will be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

3.D. Occupational Therapist (OT) & Speech & Language Pathologist (SLP) Positions

- Dr. Steven James presented the two positions for in-house OT and SLP services.
- The team anticipates challenges finding qualified candidates to fill the needs of the school.

Carrie Stumpfhauser asked if parent input should be considered in the SLP provider/service. Dr. James stated that the parent always has input but they do not get to choose their service provider which comes from the Office of Administrative Hearing and the 9th Circuit.

Dr. Angela Tos shared that she loves Carrie's heart and that she is advocating for students and families and parents/students do have rights and the school will point them in the right direction.

Dr. Angela Tos made a motion to approve the positions.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

3.E. Secondary Education Specialist Position

- Denise Voth shared a proposal with the Board for a Secondary Education and how the position will change and truly focus on high school students and programs.
- Jennifer McQueen shared that she is excited to see this position and sees the need for interpersonal relationships specifically within high school.

Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to approve the position.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

3.F. High School A-G Grant Plan

- Denise Voth shared the details of the A-G Grant Plan.
- Dr. Angela Tos if the change will backfill a position or if someone will be hired to replace her. Denise Voth shared the school does not currently have the growth and the two will split the work between the two instead of hiring at this time, but this position may need to be filled in the future depending on growth.
- Dr. Angela Tos if the plan will be directed to Foster & Homeless Youth and Denise shared the counseling team will focus on those three subgroups (Foster & Homeless Youth, EL, Low-Income)
- Is there a goal for the grant? Above 67% is the state's target. The grant had two pathways, access and success. IF you were under the 67% you received the access funding which was Yosemite. As far as reporting, the state is still working on the details.

Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the High School A-G Grant Plan.

Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

4. Operations

4.A. COVID-19 School Report

- Dr. Laurie Goodman discussed the COVID-19 School Report.
- Carrie Stumpfhauser asked how staff can request COVID tests that are at the office. Steph Johnson shared that testing reimbursements will still be coming in as the tests in the office are nasal tests, not saliva tests.

4.B. Enrollment Report

- Dr. Laurie Goodman presented the school's current enrollment numbers and withdrawal figures.
- Dr. Larry Jarocki asked about how staffing is connected to enrollment. Steph Johnson shared that new staff would not be hired without confirmed student enrollment.
- Dr. Tos asked what the projected budget is based on. Steph Johnson responded that it is based on the current projections and will be updated around July when numbers are more concrete.

4.C. Staff & Student Interaction Policy

- Dr. Laurie Goodman presented the Staff & Student Interaction Policy.

Jonna Durst made a motion to approve the Staff & Student Interaction Policy.
Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion.
The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

4.D. Employee Driving Policy & Guidelines

- Dr. Laurie Goodman presented the Employee Driving Policy & Guidelines.

Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to approve the Employee Driving Policy & Guidelines.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

5. Administrator Evaluations

5.A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: Executive Director & Co-Director/ Principal - Closed Session

Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to enter into Closed Session at 6:37 PM.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to end Closed Session and return to the Open Meeting at 8:22 PM.

Jonna Durst seconded the motion.

The board VOTED unanimously to approve the motion.

5.B. Report Out of any Action Taken During Closed Session

- Dr. Larry Jarocki reported that the Board took action to meet with Dr. Goodman and Steph Johnson at the April Board Meeting to provide their Board Evaluations.

6. Governance

6.A. March Meeting Format

Jonna Durst made a motion to meet in a hybrid format for the next board meeting and discuss this

item again in April.

Carrie Stumpfhauser seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

7. Closing Items

7.A. Board of Director Comments & Requests

- Progress Reports on the status of open positions for OT and SLP.

7.B. Announcement of the Next Scheduled Board Meetings

Regular: April 28, 2022 at 5:15 PM

7.C. Adjourn Meeting

Carrie Stumpfhauser made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting at 8:26 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 8:26 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Dr. Larry Jarocki

Prepared by:
Mariah Jordan

Noted by:


Angela Fos (Jun 8, 2022 15:34 PDT)

Board Secretary

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