



## THE COTTONWOOD SCHOOL

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting - The Cottonwood School

March 3, 2020 – 6:30 pm

3840 Rosin Court #200, Sacramento, CA 95834

Attendance: Teresa Lyday Selby, Julisa Platte, Dr. Norman Lorenz, Amanda Meagher

Absent: Josh Mottashed

Also Present: Julie Haycock, Jodiann Beeson, and Kathy Fagundo

### **Call to Order:**

Julisa Platte called the meeting to order at 6:43.

### **Approval of the Agenda:**

### **Public Comments:**

None

### **Closed Session – Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Principal (TK-12):**

The board entered into closed session at 7:20pm.

The board exited closed session at 7:57pm.

Action: Appointment of Dr. Lorenz as liaison between board and Principals, Jodiann Beeson and Julie Haycock.

**Julisa Platte motioned to take a 10-minute recess by Julisa Platte. Seconded by Amanda Meagher. The Board reconvened at 8:01pm.**

### **Principals' Report:**

- WASC visit Sunday, 3/8/20, at 3:10, in Poway, CA
- They requested that Cottonwood School personnel go to Poway.
- Board representatives to participate:
  - Julisa Platte, as homeschool parent and board member
  - Dr. Norman Lorenz, as Montessori expert and board member
- Organizational charts
  - Julie Haycock shared organization chart for TCS student services team and instructional team
  - Jodiann Beeson shared organization chart for site-based and homeschool
  - Dr. Norman Lorenz shared bioecological model of organizational chart based on non-hierarchical model posited by Urie Bronfenbrenner. This will allow a fusion of both programs into one.
  - Graphic representation of this model was created by TCS teacher Jennene Bermodes.

- Compliance calendar which was requested, gives an overview of what reports are due and when so that we can plan ahead.

**Discussion and Potential Action on January and February Board Meeting Minutes:**

January minutes needed to include closed session, therefore they will be approved next regular meeting.

Dr. Lorenz motioned to approve February minutes. Julisa Platte seconded.

-Unanimous

**Building Options Presented by Christian Eidem:**

The Board was presented with a Buildings Update that included the following:

- Working with a realtor, looking at several sites
- Looking at reducing target enrollment numbers from 400+ to 125.
- Unique Montessori program
- Smaller program
- Reduce the appearance of direct competition with area comprehensive schools
- Marketing options with several local publications

**Discussion and Potential Action on Second Interim Report:**

Teresa Lyday-Selby motioned to approve the Second Interim Report. Dr. Lorenz seconded.

-Unanimous

**Discussion and Potential Action on Auditor Selection:**

Dr. Lorenz motioned to approve the Auditor Selection of Wilkerson, Hadley, King. Julisa Platte seconded.

-Unanimous

**Discussion and Potential Action on the MOU with other Schools:**

Julisa Platte motioned to approve the MOU with other Schools. Amanda Meagher seconded.

-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action of The Cottonwood School and Buckeye Elementary School District MOU:**

No Action Taken. The authorizing district is asking for additional time to review.

**Discussion and Potential Action of the Growth Projections and Enrollment Windows:**

Amanda Meagher motioned to approve the Growth Projections and Enrollment Windows of a 70 students target for the site-based program. Julisa Platte seconded.

-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the Instructional Funds Depreciation Chart:**

Julisa Platte motioned to approve the Instructional Funds Depreciation Chart. Dr. Lorenz seconded.

-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the 2020-2021 School Calendar:**

Dr. Lorenz motioned to adopt the 2020-2021 School Calendar. Teresa Lyday-Selby seconded.  
-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the Teacher Salary Schedule:**

It was unanimously agreed upon to table this discussion until the next regularly scheduled meeting.

**Discussion and Potential Action on Fiscal Policies and Procedures:**

Julisa Platte motioned to approve the Fiscal Policies and Procedures. Dr. Lorenz seconded.  
-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the Secretary of State Filing with Current Board Members and Accurate Positions:**

No action taken.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the Updated SARC:**

Amanda Meagher motioned to approve the Updated SARC. Julisa Platte seconded.  
-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action on the Change of Venue to the School Site to Accommodate Site Use Based on SB 126 (c) (1) (A) (B)**

Dr. Lorenz motioned to split board between two sites for remaining meetings of 2019-2020 year. Amanda Meagher seconded.  
-Unanimous.

**Discussion and Potential Action of the Board Meeting Calendar:**

No action taken.

**Announcement of Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting:**

The board announced the next meeting was scheduled for April 21, 2020 at 6:30pm.

**Adjournment:**

Julisa Platte motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 pm. Dr. Lorenz seconded.  
-Unanimous.

Prepared by:  
Bryanna Brossman

Noted by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "H. P. Selby". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "H" and "S".

Board Secretary






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