

Sonoma Charter School

Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

5:00 pm Closed Session

6:00 pm Open Session

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Welcome to our Board of Directors meeting. Documents provided to the majority of the Board of Directors regarding this agenda will be available for public inspection at the School Office located at 17202 Sonoma Hwy., Sonoma, CA 95476 during normal business hours. Such writings and documents are posted on the school's website at <https://www.sonomacharterschool.org/>, as well as on ParentSquare and by clicking on Board of Education. A copy of the file is also available in the meeting room. Said file cannot be removed from the room.

Minutes

5:00 pm CLOSED SESSION

CALLED PUBLIC MEETING TO ORDER at 5:05 PM, AND ESTABLISHED QUORUM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Belli Skinner (Board President), Ashley Holladay, Ross Connard, Becky Perkins, Cole Aviles, Marc Elin

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT: Hilary Sowers, Catherine Stone

I. PUBLIC COMMENT: Opportunity for the public to comment on closed session topics.

The Board recognizes the value of public comment on educational issues and provides this time for audience members to address the Board on **any issues that are revealed in closed session**. Each speaker is asked to identify themselves before addressing the Board and to limit comments to three minutes.

There was no public comment.

II. CLOSED SESSION - Recessed to closed session at 5:07 PM - The Board will consider and/or take action on any of the following:

PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES Government Code §54957

Title: Principal/Director/Int. Superintendent

III. RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 5:50 PM

No actions were taken in closed session.

6:00 pm OPEN SESSION

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I. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this agenda item, an individual or group representative is given the opportunity to make statements to the Board on an item not on the agenda. A speaker will be limited to 3 minutes (Board Bylaw 9323). The Board will not take action on an item presented during this portion of the agenda as this would constitute an illegal act on the part of the Board.

There was no public comment

II. APPROVED THE AGENDA

Moved: Perkins, Second: Aviles, Vote 6:0

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved: Holladay, Second: Cannard, Vote 6:0

(At every board meeting, at least some items make it onto the agenda that do not need discussion or debate, either because they are routine procedures or because they are already unanimous consent. A consent agenda (the Roberts Rules of Order called consent calendar) allows the board to approve all of these items together without discussion or individual motions.)

A. Approval of Minutes for:

Board Meeting June 13, 2023

Board Meeting June 27, 2023

Special Meeting of the Board September 5, 2023

B. Approval of the hiring of new employees:

Ángela Farias-Martínez, Instructional Assistant; Siena Parrish, 1st grade teacher;

Joey Villarruel, Custodian; Victoria Wilson, Campus Supervisor

C. Approval of Board Statement for District Intern Credential for Raegen Hedley

IV. GOVERNANCE

A. Annual Organizational Meeting

1. Elected board officers

President Moved: Cannard, Second: Holladay to elect

Belli Skinner as Board President. Vote 6:0

Secretary Moved: Elin, Second: Skinner to elect

Ashley Holladay as Board Secretary. Vote 6:0

2. Set calendar of regular meetings Moved: Aviles, Second: Perkins to move
Board meetings to the second Tuesday of the month

3. Adopt Resolution 01-2023/24: Board's Code of Ethics

Moved: Cannard, Second: Perkins, Vote: 6:0

B. Discussed of the Governance Manual Review; board members to review before next meeting.

C. Brown Act Reviewed

D. Discussed Administrative Roles

E. Discussed Placement on the Salary Schedule

F. Discussed Charter renewal update

G. Board Policies:

1. Local Assignment Option Policy Moved: Elin, Second: Holladay, Vote 6:0

2. Use of Facilities Moved: Holladay, Second, Aviles, Vote 6:0

V. PROGRAMS AND FINANCES

A. Budget update received

B. Approved 2022/23 Unaudited Actuals Report Moved: Elin, Second: Aviles, Vote 6:0

C. Approved 2022/23 Educational Protection Account Final Expenditure

Moved: Holladay, Second: Perkins, Vote: 6:0

D. Approved 2023/24 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding

Moved: Elin, Second: Holladay, Vote 6:0

E. The Big Five: Emergency Response for SCS was presented

SAW. INFORMATION AND REPORTS

A. Staff Reporting Information

*Magic Club

*Murals

*7th & 8th grade overnight field trip was great

*Staff are getting into their routines

*Discovery Learning has started in the middle school grades

B. CCC Report Information

Upcoming Events

*Glen Ellen Fair

*Restaurant Night

*Movie Night

C. Director's report information

*PBIS program began this year

*Suicide prevention presentation for 6th – 8th grade classes

*Campus projects are happening, including parents working on a new fence for our outdoor TK area

D. Superintendent's Report Information

*Catherine and Hilary met with Dr. Chien

*The Annual Giving Campaign has begun

E. Board Reporting Information

*None

THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:45 PM