

YOSEMITE-WAWONA ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL

Board of Directors Meeting

SPECIAL MEETING

Wawona Elementary School

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 5:30 PM

7925 Chilnualna Falls Road

Wawona, California

Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:42 P.M. by Chairman Ed Mee.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Ed Mee, Secretary Chad Andrews, Amber Campion, Elise Bevington, Karen Stansberry, Katy Woods, Eugene Moisa

Staff present: Esme McCarthy, Jess Stanphill

Public: Gary Wuchner, Jennifer Wuchner, Pat Sischo, Michelle Stauffer, Glenn Reid, Parker Bevington, Myra Moisa, Zach Woods, Jordan Michel, Jesikah Michel

MONTHLY ITEMS AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

3. CONSENT AGENDA

NOTE: The Board will be asked to approve all of the following items by a single vote, unless any member of the Board or of the public asks that an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered and discussed separately.

3.1. Approval of minutes of the regular meeting, May 9, 2018

A MOTION WAS MADE by Karen Stansberry, seconded by Amber Campion, to **approve the May 9 meeting minutes.** Motion carried unanimously.

4. Financial reports

4.1. Monthly approval of warrants (Action needed)

4.2. Financial Report

4.3. Payroll Report

There were no financial reports.

5. HEARING OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

The public may address the Board on any matter pertaining to the school that is not on the agenda. There will be no Board discussion and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

Pat Sischo asked about the street lights in front of the school; why they are on and why they are so bright.

Jennifer Wuchner brought up the fact that Kindergarten is not mandatory in the state of CA. If you, have Kindergarten you have to have Pre-K, and asked that the Board consider that while discussing restructuring the school. There was some discussion. Also commented on the fact that the community has been very supportive of the school, and to be cognizant of the fact that those community members are accustomed to established fundraisers, etc., and that the school needs to keep them engaged.

ACTION ITEMS

6. Discuss and approve proposal to remove 7th and 8th grade from the Charter beginning school year 2018-19.
 - 6.1. Item was discussed. Each Board member, staff member, and public individual had an opportunity to voice their opinion. Views in support for the measure cited staffing shortfalls, administrative workload, focusing on grades where there are the most kids, and the inability to prepare kids for high school socially and academically. Views not in support of the measure gave opinions of; the school has an obligation to local students to provide those grades, the large younger group of students will create larger 7-8 classes in the near future, and that smaller schools *can* prepare kids for high school socially and academically.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Chad Andrews, seconded by Amber Campion, to **approve removing grades 7 & 8 from the charter beginning school year 2018-19**. Ayes: Chad Andrews, Amber Campion, Ed Mee. Nays: Katy Woods, Karen Stansberry, Eugene Moisa, Elise Bevington. Motion did not carry.

7. Discuss and approve proposal of basic academic schedule for 2018-19 school year (four-days at school and flex-Friday for everyone).

A MOTION WAS MADE by Chad Andrews, seconded by Katy Woods, to **approve academic schedule of 4 at-school days plus Flex Friday for all students, contingent on appropriate funding determination**. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Discuss and approve the contract for Document Tracking Services DTS- contract expires on 5/15/18 and we need this service for this year's and next year's LCAP. \$345.00

A MOTION WAS MADE by Elise Bevington, seconded by Amber Campion, to **approve the expenditure for renewing the contract for DTS**. Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

9. Discuss preliminary budget.
 - 9.1. Eugene Moisa presented a preliminary budget.
10. Discuss and propose class/staff structure with preliminary budget.
 - 10.1. Jess Stanphill presented a staffing proposal for school year 2018-19. The proposal was discussed in relation to the preliminary budget.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Chad commented that it was good to see community and parent participation at the meeting.

Ed reported that we failed our Safety Compliance Report with CHP due to a paperwork issue. Have 120 days to remedy.

12. STAFF REPORTS

12.1. L CAP Update and required hearing dates

Esme posed the question of whether or not the Board is willing to run a deficit to grow the school.

13. NEXT MEETING DATE; Discuss meeting twice a month for the remainder of school year

Unless otherwise announced, the next special meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, May 30, at 5:30 p.m. at the Wawona School.

14. CLOSED SESSION Personnel/Negotiations/Litigation

14.1. Board Governance

14.2. Personnel

NOTE: The Board will consider and may act upon any of the following items in closed session. Any action taken will be reported publicly at the end of the closed session as required by law.

14.3. Employee Negotiations (Gov. Code 54957.6)

14.4. Personnel (Gov. Code 54957)

15. RECOVENE IN OPEN SESSION: ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

There was no closed session

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 P.M.


Chad Andrews – Board Secretary