

YOSEMITE-WAWONA ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 13, 2018
Wawona Elementary School
7925 Chilnualana Falls Road
Wawona, CA

Meeting Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 P.M. by Chairman Ed Mee.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Ed Mee, Secretary Chad Andrews, Amber Campion, Elise Bevington, Katy Woods.

Staff present: Karen Stansberry, John Kemmerer, Glenn Reid

Public: Michelle Stauffer, Jennifer Wuchner, Gary Wuchner, Pat Sischo, Wayne Heringer, Kathie Heringer, Miles Menetrey, Chuck Jones, Sandy Jones.

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 Agenda

3.2- Approval of Minutes of the Emergency Meeting of August 23, 2018

3.3- Approve Payroll

3.4- Approve Warrants

A MOTION WAS MADE by Elise Bevington, seconded by Amber Campion, to **Consent Agenda**. Motion carried unanimously.

4. 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 question – is the school open to soliciting help from Mariposa or Madera County to keep the school open?

Gary Wuchner – Asked question - Can we set up or own district with all 3 park schools? Remarked about the need for a school due to the nature of the ranger required housing etc. Could we be a necessary small school? Is that on its way out?

Wayne Heringer remarked about the breadth of the community of Wawona. It is a unique community. The school is a keystone for the community and the Park. Thinks we should take a year off and open next school year.

Kathie Heringer remarked about her fondness for the school and it's importance.

ACTION ITEMS

5. SCHOOL FOR THE 2018-19 SCHOOL YEAR

Consideration and action on a decision about whether to open the school for the 2018-19 school year.

Item was discussed. Glenn's recommendation is that the school should close for this school year, and that we work on a strong solution to be able to open for the 2019/20 school year. Michelle remarked that Steve Shackleton is pro-wawona School and could be a good resource. Karen spoke to the financial implications. Could only have 25k in the bank as of next July if we close.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Chad Andrews, seconded by Katy Woods, to **not open the school for the 2018-19 school year**. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CERTIFYING UNAUDITED ACTUALS REPORT for 2017-18

Consideration and action on the unaudited actuals report for the 2017-18 school year.

Item was discussed.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Elise Bevington, seconded by Katy Woods, to **approve the unaudited actuals for 2017-18**. Motion carried unanimously.

7. ENTERING INTO A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Consideration and action on entering into a Legal Services Agreement with Young, Minney and Corr, LLP to provide legal advice to the Charter.

Item was discussed. Glenn recommended that we have a legal resource to turn to, but YM&C require a retainer. He said he has another resource he could contact that won't require a retainer.

No action taken.

8. MAKE-UP OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Consideration and action on the Make-Up of the Board of Directors in regards to the number of Board members, length of term, existing membership, Board officers, appointment of new member(s), etc.

Item was discussed. Should a staff member be a member of the board? How many Board members should the Board have? Point was made that there should be two community members on the board.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Amber Campion, seconded by Katy Woods, to **re-appoint Chad Andrews** to the board with a term to end June 30, 2020. Motion carried unanimously. Chad Andrews abstained.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Elise Bevington, seconded by Amber Campion, to re-appoint Ed Mee to the board with a term to end June 30, 2020. Motion carried unanimously. Ed Mee abstained.

A MOTION WAS MADE by Katy Woods, seconded by Chad Andrews, to maintain a five-person Board. Motion carried unanimously.

9. EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF CURRENT EMPLOYEES

Consideration and action on the employment status of current employees (if the school does not open for 2018-19)

Item was discussed. Many financial considerations.

Tabled until the next meeting.

10. CREATION OF A BUDGET COMMITTEE

Consideration and action on the creation of a budget committee for the 2019-20 school year.

Amber will chair a budget committee. Wayne Heringer offered to be on the committee.

INFORMATION ITEMS

11. CONSULTANT REPORT

Glenn will start working on the charter renewal petition with Michelle Stauffer next week.

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Amber – how do we move forward?

Elise – Glad to see all of the community support.

John – Fire alarm is getting serviced next week. John working on bus status.

Karen – Karen presented current financial picture

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Request that various items be placed on the next agenda for discussion and/or action.

13.1 Sale or disposal of the Charter's school bus

13.2 Discuss the restructuring of the school

14. NEXT BOARD MEETING

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors will be scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Wawona School.

15. CLOSED SESSION: Personnel/Negotiations/Litigation

15.1 Board entered into closed session at 8:00 pm.

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

15.2 Personnel (Gov. Code 54957)

15.3 Employee Complaint

16. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: Announce Closed Session Actions

Board reconvened in open session at 9:40 pm.

No actions were taken.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 P.M.



Chad Andrews – Board Secretary