

**Santa Ynez Valley Charter School  
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, December 5, 2023  
5:30pm, PE Room**

OPEN SESSION

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** by Board President 5:33
- 2) **ROLL CALL:**

Kelly O'Connor (KO), Board President (2024)		_X_
Matt Stockton (MS), Vice President (2025)		_X_
Christina Trujillo (CT), Secretary (2024)		_X_
Angela Osborne, Treasurer (2026)		by phone, in 5:49, out 6:22
Erin Pollaro, Member at Large (2026)		_X_
Justin Rodriguez, Member at Large (2026)		_AB_
Roxanne Usher (RU), Middle School Teacher Rep. (2024)		_X_
Eugenia Pappas (EP), Elementary Teacher Rep (2024)		_X_
Maurene Donner (MD), Superintendent College School District		_AB_

OTHER ATTENDEES:

John Dewey (JD), Executive Director		_X_
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- 3) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** for December 5, 2023
  - EP Motioned
  - Seconded EP
  - 6-0-0

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- 4) **Public Comment**
- 5) **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approval of Minutes for Meeting October 24, 2023
    - Motion KO
    - Second MS
    - 5-0-1
- 6) **Standing Reports**
  - a. Treasurer's Report
 

For first interim budget: \$85,000 added to Special Ed resource code because costs are increasing. \$100,000 budgeted for health insurance based on previous years; however, additional teachers on plan so additional \$30-35,000 extra expenditures in health insurance.
  - b. Director's Report
 

Holiday show coming up on 12/12. Annual appeal close to \$33,000, at about 75% participation. Phone-a-thon ongoing. Replacement for an old refrigerator purchased when the old refrigerator died. Dragon and Donuts 12/15 8am last session of the calendar year.
- 7) **Informational/Discussion**
  - a. Smarter Balanced Test Scores
 

Have slightly increased our scores in Math and English as of 2023, with some deviations in percentages per subject across; Math Task Force continuing to establish greater vertical consistency.
  - b. Joint Board Meeting 10/24
 

Board agreed to discuss MOU and facilities agreement at next Board retreat based on October's joint Board Meeting

8) **Board Business**

a.

9) **Action Items**

a. Approval of Dress Code Policy

Intent to make the code more clear and direct for families, students, staff. KO suggest a lead into the dress code that explains the intent behind the code.

EP suggests including wording at the beginning along the lines of: "We recognise and affirm that schools are a safe place for students to learn self expressions and to learn to be responsible for where students place their attention. With this in mind, this dresscode is intended to help support maintaining SYVCS as a place of learning and will be enforced with this intent in mind. Add a sentence about how the school will address the potential dress code violation"

EP also concerned about inseam notation

MS suggest also include something that's written for the student as the audience in addition to the board policy

CT Motion to table the vote for updated dress code for EP to lease with EP to include potential preamble and bring back to January meeting for renewed vote

P Second

4-2-0

b. Approval of 1st Interim Budget 23-24

KO motion to approve 1st Interim Budget

Discussion: increase in revenue in State ADA revenue because of an additional 5 students than originally anticipated; increase in kitchen income because we're on track to make more than originally projected; Insurance cost has gone up, slight increase in office supplies; licenses now include GoGuardian, Renaissance, aand Lexia Reading; reduced staff development budget from 10K to \$5k; majority of additional expenses are Consortium Costs and Health Insurance. Projecting to post strong fundraising in May with Auction.

MS seconds

6-0-0

10) **Future Agenda Items**

a. Board Meeting January 23, 2023

b. Revised Dress Code

c. Policy around hot days and PE

11) Public Comment on Closed Session Items

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12) a. Personnel as authorized by Government code 54957 (Exec Director Eval)

Discussed Exec Director Performance review evaluation. Timeline will be early 2024 with feedback delivered in March

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ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at \_\_\_7:58\_\_\_PM