

**Santa Ynez Valley Charter School
Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 27, 2024
5:30pm, Room 310**

OPEN SESSION

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** by Board President 5:40 pm
- 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 (AO), Treasurer (2026) _____
 - Erin Pollaro (EP), Member at Large (2026) _X_
 - Justin Rodriguez (JR), Member at Large (2026) _X_
 - Roxanne Usher (RU), Middle School Teacher Rep. (2025) _X_
 - Lara Schmeiser (LS), Elementary Teacher Rep (2025) _X_
 - Maurene Donner (MD), Superintendent College School District _X_
- OTHER ATTENDEES:
 - John Dewey (JD), Executive Director _X_
- 3) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** for August 27, 2024
 - Motion: JR
 - Second: EP
 - 8-0-0

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- 4) **Public Comment**

Public comments email in, read by RU. Comments provided by Jaclyn Kemp, Grace Kemp, Kylie Lewis, Elysia and Kyle Lewis. Comments concerned change in middle school schedule.
- 5) **Consent Agenda**
 - a. Approval of Minutes for Meeting June 18, 2024
 - Motion: JR
 - Second: KO
 - 5-0-3
- 6) **Standing Reports**
 - a. Treasurer's Report

Additional Chrome books purchased for the new 3rd grade class and a few additional Chrome books for expanding middle school.
 - b. Director's Report

Paved area around TK, shade structure sails should be in next week. They will be installed during the school day. Enrollment is 188 currently. Back to school night is Thursday for the Middle School on 8/27 and 9/10 for Elementary Grades. Dragons and Donuts on Friday, Sep 13th.
- 7) **Informational/Discussion**
 - a. Presentation by SiteLogIQ re: solar energy

Postponed until September Charter meeting. Solar panels would be placed on the lower playground and act as a shade structure for students in addition to the solar power gathering.
 - b. Review of Discipline Policy - Update

EP, AO, JD committee members. Existing disciplinary policy and handbook shared with Charter legal team. A call with Charter legal team is scheduled for next week to discuss how to include new legislation in existing policy. JR suggests that cyberbullying is included in the overall discussion.

- c. Updates on facilities correspondence with CSD
Additional classroom space and repairs/maintenance to existing classroom space top of the needs for Charter. Updates to facilities related to Measure L. Costing out the possible facilities support. District facilities manager and MD to review the sights. Discussed having an ad hoc committee meeting between the College Board and the Charter Board to discuss additional district wide projects.
- d. Updates on Bond: Measure L for November ballot
Should the measure succeed it will result in 18 mil. FAQ can be shared at back to school night so long as it is simply factual information.
- e. Middle School schedule
Concerns are the amount of homework assigned given the change in class time now changed in the schedule. Students no longer have a homeroom or a study hall period.
JD: Rationale for the change, according to JD was to school schedule integration with Middle School and TK - 5th schedule. To keep teachers in Middle School structured with an integration in TK-5th was the biggest factor. JD felt that class time was too long. Concern with afternoon attendance. Does not believe that the opinion on the schedule is the purview of teachers, believes it is a function of the administration
RU: Setup and cleanup of labs is impacted. Learning time in labs is impacted. Suggestion for a modified block schedule. ELA impacted. Challenge and potential frustration is the lack of consistency of when the subject takes place on class day.
AJ: Student at Charter. Shares that schedule change is drastic and cannot get more in depth with science, math, or ELA. 20 min after lunch was previously for constitution, but now they only have it one time a week unless they search out the teacher during lunch or snack.
CT: Asked if there is space to have a discussion about the schedule in the future and JD agrees that yes there is.
JR: Questions about homework load.
MS: References multiple schedule types he's familiar with.
EP: Appreciates that there is time to discuss the change, but feels that there is need for more time to see how the schedule is actually going to settle

8) **Board Business**

- a. Approval of Officers for 24-25
Motion to renew Christina as Secretary
Motion: KO
Second: RU
6-0-2
- b. Approval of Board Calendar 24-25
Motion to approve with update of March 25th meeting to March 18th
Motion: EP
Second:JR
8-0-0

9) **Action Items**

- a. Approve Resolution to add Volunteers to Workers' Compensation
LS asked if volunteers include field trip drivers.
Motion: LS
Second: KO
8-0-0

10) **Future Agenda Items**

Presentation by SiteLogIQ re: solar energy

Electives offered in the school this year

Measure L

Discipline policy

New board members

Appoint President/Officers

Facilities ad hoc committee

a. Board Meeting September_7:10pm_, 2024

11) Public Comment on Closed Session Items

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12) a.

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ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at _____PM