



OLIVE GROVE CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, January 11, 2024, 4:00 pm (Pacific Time)

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Jackie Heidt called the meeting of the Olive Grove Charter Schools, Inc. Board of Directors to order at 4:03pm.
2. **ROLL CALL**

Deb Willems, Board Chair	absent
Terry Dickinson	present
Hank Gallina	present, left at 5:13pm
Jackie Heidt	present
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: Jackie Heidt moved to approve the agenda as presented.

SECONDED: Hank Gallina

DISCUSSION: None

APPROVED by a vote of 3-0

Jackie Heidt (Y) Terry Dickinson (Y) Hank Gallina (Y)
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None
5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION: Jackie Heidt moved to approve the consent agenda as presented, which included the minutes from the Board meeting on December 14, 2023 and the check register for the month of December.

SECONDED: Hank Gallina

DISCUSSION: None

APPROVED by a vote of 3-0

Jackie Heidt (Y) Terry Dickinson (Y) Hank Gallina (Y)
6. **REPORTS/ TRAININGS/ PRESENTATIONS**
 - A. **Reports**
 - i. **Executive Director's Report**

Meg Rydman reported second semester is underway but it started with a hiccup. There were technical difficulties which delayed the opening of the online courses to our 6th-12th grade students.

Enrollment - As of today, there are 391 students enrolled.

 - 40 are elementary (TK-5),
 - 67 are middle school (6-8) and
 - 284 are high school (9-12).

- There are 63 sped and 30 EL, plus 1 TBD, students across the schools.

There were 19 midyear graduates, out of 20 expected.

Buellton and Lompoc are full. Orcutt is just about there - those in process and the waitlist will fill that LC up. Santa Barbara continues to struggle with enrollment. It is anticipated that enrollment will at least match the first interim enrollment estimates, but the teachers still have room for more students.

There are 62 current interested and on the waitlist.

Olive Grove is already preparing for 2024-25 enrollment. The 2024-25 intent to return survey will go out in February, in order to prepare for the lottery in late March.

ii. Board Members' Reports

None

iii. Financial Report

Dennis Nguyen (School Business Manager, CSMC) provided the financial report through November.

B. Presentations

i. Overview of OGCS's 2023 California School Dashboards

Meg Rydman provided an overview of the data publicly released on the California School Dashboard on December 15.

C. Trainings

None

7. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of 2022-23 School Accountability Report Cards (SARC) for each Olive Grove Charter School

- i. 2022-23 SARC -Olive Grove Charter-Buellton
- ii. 2022-23 SARC -Olive Grove Charter-Lompoc
- iii. 2022-23 SARC -Olive Grove Charter-Orcutt/Santa Maria
- iv. 2022-23 SARC -Olive Grove Charter-Santa Barbara

MOTION: Jackie Heidt moved to approve the 2022-23 School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) for each Olive Grove Charter School

SECONDED: Terry Dickinson

DISCUSSION: Meg explained that State law requires that schools annually prepare and distribute a School Accountability Report Card (SARC). A similar requirement is also contained in the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The purpose of the SARC is to provide parents/guardians and the community with important information about each school. SARCs must be updated annually, reviewed and approved by the school's Governing Board, and published by February 1. The CDE provides an electronic SARC template available through an online web application with much of the required data pre-populated. It allows local education agencies (LEAs) to input the remaining information as well as review and correct some portions of the pre-populated data, if necessary.

APPROVED by a vote of 3-0

Jackie Heidt (Y) Terry Dickinson (Y) Hank Gallina (Y)

B. Approval of revised OGCS, Inc. Anti-Discrimination Policy (formerly Notice of Non-Discrimination)

MOTION: Jackie Heidt moved to approve the revised OGCS, Inc. Anti-Discrimination Policy

SECONDED: Hank Gallina

DISCUSSION: Meg Rydman explained that AB 1078 was signed into law in September 2023 as urgency legislation and is now in effect. As it applies to this agenda item, AB 1078 requires schools to update their anti-discrimination policies to clarify that the policy also applies to the charter school governing board. This updated policy replaces the Notice of Non-Discrimination previously approved and revised by the Board.

APPROVED by a vote of 3-0

Jackie Heidt (Y) Terry Dickinson (Y) Hank Gallina (Y)

8. CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered closed session at 4:50pm.

- Confidential Student Enrollment Matter – Consideration of Potential Involuntary Removal, Case No.: 030-0111
- Confidential Student Enrollment Matter – Consideration of potential enrollment of a student expelled from another school district or charter school, Case No.: 030-1214

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board returned to open session at 5:11pm.

ROLL CALL

Deb Willems, Board Chair	absent
Terry Dickinson	present
Hank Gallina	present
Jackie Heidt	present

REPORT ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Jackie Heidt reported that the Board approved the involuntary removal in Confidential Student Enrollment Matter Case No. 030-0111. The vote was unanimous.

Jackie Heidt reported that the Board approved the Executive Director’s Recommendation to enroll the previously expelled Student in Confidential Student Enrollment Matter Case No. 030-1214. The vote was unanimous.

Hank Gallina left the meeting at 5:13pm.

9. DISCUSSION/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Board Business
None
- B. New Business/Future Agenda Items
None

10. NEXT MEETING DATE

- February 8, 2024, 4:00pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14pm.

Minutes submitted by Terry Dickinson, OGCS, Inc. Board Secretary

Terry Dickinson
