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## Scholarship Prep

# Minutes

## Regular Board Meeting

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### **Date and Time**

Thursday November 21, 2024 at 2:05 PM

### **Location**

4070 Mission Ave.

Oceanside, CA, 92057

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### **Zoom Meeting Information:**

**Meeting ID: 847 7579 6164**

**Passcode: 212359**

Scholarship Prep Orange County (17th Street) - 1010 West 17th Street, Santa Ana, CA 92706  
Legacy Room

Scholarship Prep Orange County (Grand Ave) - 1821 N Grand Ave, Santa Ana, CA 92705  
Admin Office

Scholarship Prep Oceanside - 4070 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, CA 92057  
Room 233

Scholarship Prep South Bay- 24910 S. Avalon Blvd., Wilmington, CA 90744  
First-floor Kindergarten Classroom

Additional Teleconference Location: 1902 West Chestnut Avenue, Santa Ana CA 92703

The meeting will be accessible via teleconference using the information listed above and at the locations above.

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### **Directors Present**

C. Friedrichs, J. Ing (remote), M. Toan (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

B. George, P. Watson

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Quorum Check**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

C. Friedrichs called a meeting of the board of directors of Scholarship Prep to order on Thursday Nov 21, 2024 at 2:07 PM.

### **C. Pledge of Allegiance**

### **D. Reading of the Scholarship Prep Mission Statement**

### **E. Approval of the Agenda**

J. Ing made a motion to Approve.

M. Toan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Toan     Aye  
C. Friedrichs   Aye  
J. Ing        Aye  
P. Watson     Absent  
B. George     Absent

**F. Invitation to Address the Board on Items on the Agenda**

**G. Invitation to Address the Board on Items Not on the Agenda**

**II. Information Section**

**A. Scholarship Prep - Oceanside Campus Update**

Principal, Nicholas Sessions, provided the Oceanside campus update. Topics discussed include Scholarship Prep's mission and vision; using the intercom to say the pledge each day, for recognition of students and staff, and improved communication and safety; sports, fine arts, dance, and music electives; STEM spotlight; fourth grade mission projects and field trip; students learning through exploration and collaborative play; and community events. Dr. Sessions also gave a shoutout to the board for approving the new playground.

**B. Organization Update**

Executive Director, Jason Watts, provided the organization update. First he discussed the public hearing for the Oceanside charter renewal. He spoke about how well it went, gave thank you's to those involved, touched on how many staff turned out for the hearing, and said that we will have a decision on December 11th. He will also provide data to the board at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Jason also gave an update on the Riverside campus. We are still on track to open in the Fall of 2025 and we are about to start demolition.

**C. Financial Update by Charter Impact**

Jason Sitomer at Charter Impact provided the Financial update. This presentation included updates and highlights for the Oceanside, Orange County, and South Bay school sites as well as an update on all bond covenants, which are all projected to be met. Jason also specified that the numbers for the South Bay campus from this presentation are October actuals and will be the same in next month's presentation.

**III. Consent Calendar**

**A. October 17th Regular Meeting Minutes**

C. Friedrichs made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular Board Meeting on 10-17-24.

M. Toan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Toan      Aye  
J. Ing        Aye  
C. Friedrichs Aye  
B. George    Absent  
P. Watson    Absent

**B. September Financials and Check Register**

**C. 2024-25 Compliance Monitoring Review**

**D. Curriculum Specialist Job Description**

**E. 2024-25 Administration Compensation Plan Revision**

Jason Watts explained the reason for this revision. He focused on adjusting compensation for principals to account for differences in school enrollment sizes. The goal is to address the challenges faced by principals managing schools with varying student populations and to provide more comparable compensation for all staff, especially principals, who are doing exceptional work. We are also making efforts to align compensation packages with local market standards to ensure the district can attract and retain staff.

Special recognition was given to Chart Impact for their recent contributions, particularly for their work over the past two weeks, including late nights in support of the initiative. Additionally, Sarah was acknowledged for her ongoing efforts in managing this process. Scholarship prep is also focusing on improving its hiring process to make it more attractive to potential candidates. Andrew, who oversees the hiring process, is expected to benefit from these adjustments in the future.

**F. Scholarship Prep - Orange County (17th Street) Contract with MBA Mechanical Inc.**

**G. Approval of Consent Calendar**

C. Friedrichs made a motion to Approve.

M. Toan seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

J. Ing        Aye  
C. Friedrichs Aye  
B. George    Absent

**Roll Call**

M. Toan      Aye  
P. Watson    Absent

**IV. Closed Session**

**A. Closed session to discuss real property negotiations regarding lease of property in Upland, California**

The Board entered the closed session at 2:34pm.

Board Chair, Charles Friedrichs, reported out of close session at 2:54 pm.

Charles Friedrichs reported out of closed session that the Board has voted unanimously, 3-0, to authorize Jason Watts to execute the lease with Stewart Group Upland, LLC.

**V. Closing Items**

**A. Board Comments and Future Agenda Items**

**B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
C. Friedrichs

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**THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION MAY BE MADE**

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#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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