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California Connections Academy

Minutes

California Online Public Schools (CalOPS) Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday April 25, 2023 at 3:30 PM

Location

CalCA NorCal: 580 N. Wilma Avenue, Suite G, Ripon, CA 95366
CalCA SoCal: 33272 Valle Road, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675
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Directors Present

D. Rivas (remote), E. Pavlich (remote), E. Wickliffe (remote), M. Henjum (remote), M. Nunez (remote), P. Hedrick (remote)

Directors Absent

A. Pulsipher

Guests Present

Adam Kaeli (remote), D. Hertzler (remote), D. Kozub (remote), E. McGahey, H. Tamayo (remote), Jason Sitomer (remote), K. Mannix (remote), L. Carter (remote), L. Dombek (remote), L. Johnson (remote), M. White (remote), Paul Minney (remote), R. Romero (remote), R. Savage (remote), S. Ford (remote), V. Acosta

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Pavlich called a meeting of the board of directors of California Connections Academy to order on Tuesday Apr 25, 2023 at 3:33 PM.

B. Roll Call

C. Approval of Minutes from the February 28, 2023 Board Meeting (attached)

P. Hedrick made a motion to approve the minutes from.

M. Henjum seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Wickliffe Aye

M. Nunez Aye

D. Rivas Aye

E. Pavlich Aye

P. Hedrick Aye

M. Henjum Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

D. Approval of Agenda

M. Henjum made a motion to approve the agenda.

P. Hedrick seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Pavlich Aye

M. Henjum Aye

E. Wickliffe Aye

P. Hedrick Aye

D. Rivas Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

M. Nunez Aye

II. Oral Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

R. Savage gives his Superintendent's Report. He discusses grad plans and end of year activities in NorCal and SoCal. State testing began this week and is progressing smoothly. Discussions with CAPO went well, but no other authorizing districts have had communications to note in regards to CalOPS transition.

B. Principals' Report (attached)

C.

CalCA Financial Report

L. Carter presents her consolidated financial report. She goes over the costs being used for contracted services and where CalOPS has deviated minimally from the original budget plan to accommodate the transition. Currently schools are under their total budget, only above the planned expenditure due to unforeseen transition costs. There is an expected growth in spending for testing, graduation, and professional contracted services.

III. Consent Items

A. Approval of Staffing Report (attached)

B. Approval of Pearson Invoice(s) (attached)

C. Approval of Employee Handbook Update (attached)

D. Approval of CalCA Safety Plan (attached)

P. Hedrick made a motion to pass consent agenda.

D. Rivas seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Rivas Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

M. Nunez Aye

E. Pavlich Aye

P. Hedrick Aye

E. Wickliffe Aye

M. Henjum Aye

IV. Action Items

A. Approval of Contracts Over \$20,000 (attached)

L. Carter discusses the contracts costing over \$20,000 as well as some one-time purchases that surpass that limit for the Board to approve of.

M. Henjum made a motion to pass approval of contracts over \$20,000.

D. Rivas seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

D. Rivas Aye

E. Wickliffe Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

M. Nunez Aye

M. Henjum Aye

E. Pavlich Aye

P. Hedrick Aye

B. Approval of Contract with Charter Impact (attached)

L. Carter introduces Charter Impact and goes over why they are being brought on to support the CalOPS finance team for a 3 year contract. D. Rivas asks about the specific costs in regards to virtual help for students, but L. Carter reaffirms that it is not a service that will be

required and the finances presented are the ones relevant at present time. L. Carter notes that if anything changes financially moving forward it will be brought to the Board, but for now there is a flat cost for the upcoming school year from Charter Impact.

M. Henjum made a motion to approve Contract with Charter Impact.

P. Hedrick seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

P. Hedrick Aye

M. Henjum Aye

M. Nunez Aye

D. Rivas Aye

E. Wickliffe Aye

E. Pavlich Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

V. Information Items

A. Legislative Update (attached)

D. Hertzler presents a brief update on legislation. Nothing immediately pressing. SB739 is a proposal to extend the current extension of charter renewals by 2 years. Moving forward with charter renewal for 3 of our charters, which is unaffected by SB739. D. Hertzler also informs of possible curriculum changes with upcoming education bills, some of which may not affect CalOPS, but all are being monitored to ensure they are kept track of.

B. Pearson Virtual Schools Update

L. Johnson updates the board on ASP and SSP topics. The second semester of enrollment is wrapped up and now PVS is supporting the CalOPS team with the intent to return process. L. Johnson notes that platforms through Pearson Virtual Classroom are becoming less cluttered and will help students be more successful with their curriculum. Additional changes are being implemented to help teachers be more efficient and helpful to students. Course selections for Summer and next school year have concluded. Now student support systems requests are being collected to ensure a seamless transition for the upcoming school year.

C. Board Relations Update

D. Hertzler officially introduces E. McGahey as the Board Relations Administrative Assistant and gives a brief overview of the services found in BoardOnTrack. E. McGahey presents short video directly from BoardOnTrack.

E. Pavlich announces moving to closed session and recording of Board Meeting is ended.

VI. CLOSED SESSION - Brown Act; Cal. Gov't Code 54954.5

A. Closed Session

M. Henjum made a motion to move to closed session.

P. Hedrick seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

E. Wickliffe Aye

M. Nunez Aye

M. Henjum Aye

D. Rivas Aye

E. Pavlich Aye

A. Pulsipher Absent

Roll Call

P. Hedrick Aye

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

Board returned into open session. E. Pavlich announces, "No votes were made and there is nothing to share out from Closed Session."

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:52 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Pavlich