

California Online Public Schools

Minutes

California Online Public Schools (CalOPS) Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday September 5, 2023 at 3:30 PM

Location

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Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

A. Pulsipher, D. Rivas

Guests Present

Ben Hartelt (remote), C. Sanchez Reyes (remote), D. Hertzler (remote), D. Kozub (remote), Don Carter (remote), E. McGahey, H. Roney (remote), H. Tamayo (remote), Harold Roney (remote), Jason Sitomer (remote), Jennifer Martinez (remote), Jennifer Simms - MOP (remote), John Small (remote), K. Mannix (remote), Kristina Craig (remote), L. Carter, L. Dombek (remote), L. Johnson (remote), M. White (remote), Matt Percin (remote), R. Romero (remote), R. Savage (remote), Ryan Beld (remote), S. Ford (remote), Sarah - MOP (remote), V. Acosta

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Pavlich called a meeting of the board of directors of California Online Public Schools to order on Tuesday Sep 5, 2023 at 3:41 PM.

B. Roll Call

CalOPS Staff

Bernie Jamero - CalOPS Executive Assistant

Dan Hertzler - CalOPS Director of Business Services

Eva McGahey - CalOPS Administrative Assistant - SoCal Office

Heather Tamayo - CalOPS Middle School Principal

Jennifer Martinez - CalOPS Administrative Assistant

Kara Mannix - CalOPS High School Principal

Kristina Craig - CalOPS SpEd Teacher

LaChelle Carter - CalOPS Director of Financial Services - SoCal Office

Leslie Dombek - CalOPS Director of Student Achievement

Marcus White - CalOPS Elementary School Principal

Richard Savage - CalOPS Superintendent

Richie Romero - CalOPS Deputy Superintendent

Stephen Ford - CalOPS Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

Viridiana Acosta - CalOPS Executive Assistant - NorCal Office
Harold Roney - CalOPS Director of Student Services

Contracted Staff

Chandre Sanchez Reyes - PVS Academic Success Partner
Don Carter - K12
Donna Kozub - PVS School Financial Services
Jason Sitomer - Charter Impact Managing Director
Laura Johnson - PVS School Success Partner
Matt Percin - Charter Impact Director of Client Finance
Ryan Beld - K12

Members of the Public

Ben Hartelt
Sarah
Jennifer Simms
John Small

C. Approval of Agenda

P. Hedrick made a motion to Approve Agenda.
E. Pavlich seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

E. Wickliffe Aye
M. Henjum Aye
P. Hedrick Aye
E. Pavlich Aye
D. Rivas Absent
A. Pulsipher Absent

II. Oral Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

R. Savage gives overview of in person back to school event for CalOPS Staff. This provided a great opportunity to team build and form connections with staff.
For staffing updates, we have ~25 resumes for new hires. Not much due to growth, but due to some turnover this year
Middletown Unified superintendent is in full support of CalOPS. Ready to go for renewal, will be submitted very soon.
Monterey Bay has been in contact, we will be having a public hearing Sept 26 at Scotts Valley Unified. Their Board Meeting for approval will occur October 24.
Scheduled our annual site visit (virtually this year) with Central Coast, Cuyama Unified, with Superintendent.

In contact with CAPO Unified, and set for Nov 1 is our Annual Site Visit with new CAPO Superintendent will come to CAPO office for visit and discussion.
No new developments with NorCal, Ripon Unified or Alpauch Unified.

B. Principals' Report (attached)

M. White kicks off Principals' Report discussing student needs on first day of school. ES team is doing their best to support students and families. Answering a lot of questions this year!

H. Tamayo states that welcome calls are almost complete with around 80% of calls on camera. EL families are getting lots of one-on-one attention.

K. Mannix goes over the back to school connection with high school department and team leads being great to guiding each team to build peer connection. A lot of focus on welcome calls this year! 12th grade beginning classes this week and grade bands 9-11 are beginning with pretesting this year (MAP Testing).

C. CalCA Financial Report (attached)

L. Carter discusses financial report and all school to school debts being paid. Also speaks on the chart attached that go over unaudited actuals. Finished with a positive end fund balance for all schools besides Monterey Bay, goals to spend down this next year. Missing some Title and LCFF money, but expected to roll in soon. Spent 96% of what is budgeted largely due to transition and staffing costs.

Unaudited actual due on Sept 15th, the draft is attached and there should be minimal changes between this and the finalized version to be brought to the Board next month for ratification.

Recently did cash management report on Title Funds, able to use funds as intended for all schools other than North Bay (need to transfer some funds from Title I to Title II).

ConApp sent off. A new travel policy sent out to staff to clear up gray areas and ensure CalOPS spend public funding appropriately.

Special Ed Contracts are an ongoing process, trying to finalize any from past years. SLPs are now being brought on in house.

D. Policy, Compliance, and State Accountability Report

D. Hertzler goes over the board policy update and hits on several big points. CalOPS connected with B. Jones to help with lobbying efforts in the capitol. He is a great knowledge on political structure and also provides connections through the Assembly and Senators.

No major bills we are worried about, some possible changes to independent study law. This is resulting in gov reaching out to big schools, us included, to ask questions and seek input.

The Monterey Bay petition is submitted and we are attending the Public Comment section of Board Meeting and due for approval later in October. North Bay petition will be submitted next week, for approval within 90 days of that submission. Ripon submitted sometime in October for approval in January.

III. Consent Items

- A. **Approval of Minutes from the June 21, 2023 Board Meeting (attached)**
- B. **Approval of Staffing Report (attached)**
- C. **Approval of Pearson Invoice(s) (attached)**
- D. **Approval of Contracts over \$20k (attached)**
- E. **Approval of Year End Financial Statements (attached)**
- F. **Approval of Unaudited Actuals for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 and Authorization of California Director of Finance to Submit to the Appropriate Parties (attached)**
- G. **Approval of Education Protection Account (EPA) Expenditure Plans for the 2023-2024 School Year (attached)**
- H. **Approval of Consolidated Applications (attached)**

P. Hedrick made a motion to Approve Consent Items A-H.

E. Wickliffe seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

- E. Pavlich Aye
- P. Hedrick Aye
- E. Wickliffe Aye
- A. Pulsipher Absent
- M. Henjum Aye
- D. Rivas Absent

IV. Action Items

- A. **Approval of Benjamin Hartelt as New Member of the CalOPS Board of Directors (attached)**

M. Henjum made a motion to Approve Benjamin Hartelt as the New Member of the CalOPS Board of Directors.

P. Hedrick seconded the motion.

B. Hartelt has just begun his 17th year at Calistoga High School. Primarily teaching Social Studies, but also ASB Student Activities Director.

Ben's background and resume has been reviewed and approved of by a lot of the CalOPS leadership team. They have met with him and believe he aligns with the schools' core beliefs and goals.

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

Roll Call

E. Pavlich Aye
A. Pulsipher Absent
D. Rivas Absent
E. Wickliffe Aye
M. Henjum Aye
P. Hedrick Aye

B. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators (attached)

P. Hedrick made a motion to Approve Action Item B, Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

M. Henjum seconded the motion.

This is largely a protocol required by CDE. Looking to the future for need for emergency credential teacher. Do not forecast needing any, but this is here for rules and regulations as a precaution.

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

Roll Call

E. Pavlich Aye
P. Hedrick Aye
E. Wickliffe Aye
D. Rivas Absent
A. Pulsipher Absent
M. Henjum Aye

V. Information Items

A. Pearson Virtual Schools Update

L. Johnson wishes congrats to CalOPS as we start our school year off great and supporting our students. PVS Enrollment team is support CalOPS recently up until this week even. PVS has released new tools introduced in past agenda intended to enhance program. Small wins initiative introduced 19 additional features and functionalities. Offers thanks for continued partnership.

C. Reyez Sanches updates on the specific tools that have been built or enhanced for families and/or staff. The planner is now more accessible. Custom assessments are now available for teachers. Class for LiveLesson now includes enhanced features like polling, seating charts, breakout rooms, camera view for teacher only, etc. Learner journey is final update, a report that schools can run in Power BI to see students thoughts on experience with school.

B. School Enhancement Target (SET) Update (attached)

L. Dombek reviews SET from 4th quarter of last school year.

Meeting goals with tentative grad rates, and we currently see the highest ever grad rate for our schools. Project Success grad rate is at 96.2%!

Summer School pass rate of 83% and 18/19 enrolled students graduated.

Waiting on Data Quest results for official data pulls rather than current estimated numbers we are presenting.

Academic goals have 53.4% success with Schoolwide PLCs and 67.6% for Math PLCs. PLC meeting every other week and leads 1x/month to improve and work on goals.

Engagement goals are excellent, ranging 97.7%-100%! Conversations are being had with parents and students.

Participation goals sit around 93.3-94% for i-Ready Math and Reading and 96.7-96.8% for MAP Math and Reading.

C. CalOPS Board of Directors Resources

D. Hertzler notes resources listed on this agenda and refers to the email sent to the board earlier this AM (09/05). Provides required CSDC Brown Act Training and optional BoardOnTrack Board Member training. Also gives contact info for BoardOnTrack resources with Brianna, Governance Coach, and Yuna Shin, Member Success Specialist.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Pavlich