

# EMPIRE SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 9, 2019

9:00 a.m.

*Our mission is to empower students by fostering their innate curiosity, engaging their parents, and promoting optimum learning by collaboratively developing a personalized learning program for each student.*

**Present:**

Craig Schneider, Board Chair	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent
Michelle Nagelvoort, Treasurer	Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent of Business
<b>Jessica Large, Board Director</b>	<b>Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin Ops</b>
Tracey Vela, Board Director	Robert Hennings, Asst. Superintendent Pupil Services
Jason Rodriguez, Board Director	Vivian Price, Asst. Superintendent, Education
Justin Moldenhauer, Board Director	Diane Anvari, Asst. Superintendent, Personnel
Ivo Cauoette, Board Director	Natali South, Director of Executive Support

- Action: Call to Order**
  - Mr. Schneider called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m. and Diane Anvari led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Action: Approval of Agenda**
  - Mr. Moldenhauer moved to revise the agenda to add an item, Long Distance Travel for Venture Online Staff to attend the Ignite! conference.
  - Ms. Vela seconded.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Cauoette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
- Action: Approval of Minutes from May 9, 2019**
  - Ms. Vela moved to approve the Minutes from the May 9, 2019 meeting.
  - Mr. Moldenhauer seconded.
  - Discussion: None
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Cauoette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

4. **Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**
  - Ms. Large moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Warrants, PAR, and Contract Ratifications: Kelly Services, Konica Minolta, Hatch & Cesario
  - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
  
5. **Information: PUBLIC COMMENTS**
  - Ivo Caouette, Empire's newest Board member provided a background on his experiences and desire to be a part of the Empire Springs Board.
  
6. **Information: Superintendent's Report**
  - Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's report and provided updates on network-wide activities. Additionally, Dr. Hermsmeyer provided information regarding charter issues in California including the assembly bills we've been watching closely.
  
7. **Action: Approval of the 2019-20 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Federal Addendum**
  - Mr. Moldenhauer moved to approve the 2019-20 LCAP & ESSA.
  - Ms. Vela seconded.
  - Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the LCAP & ESSA process. Board members asked questions regarding various items in the report, and Amy expounded on the requirements and how we accomplish them.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

**Action: Approval of the 2019-20 Budget**

  - Ms. Large moved to approve the 2019-20 Budget.
  - Mr. Moldenhauer seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the budget for next year and highlighted specific areas, including staffing and student enrollment, and facility improvements. Some Orange County students will transfer from Empire Springs to Citrus Springs next school year.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
  
8. **Action: Approval of the 2018-19 EPA Plan Actuals**
  - Ms. Vela moved to approve the 2018-19 EPA Plan Actuals.
  - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded
  - Discussion: Tanya explained that this document provides documentation for the expenditure of EPA funds.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

9. **Action: Approval of the EPA Multi-Year Plan**
- Ms. Nagelvoort moved to approve the EPA Multi-Year Plan
  - Mr. Moldenhauer seconded
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the plan for the 3-year plan for EPA funds.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
10. **Action: Approval of the Consolidated Application for Funding**
- Ms. Large moved to approve the Consolidated Application for Funding.
  - Ms. Vela seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers explained that the Con App allows us to apply for various funding streams with a single application.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
11. **Action: Approval of Special Education Contracts for Providers 2019-20**
- Mr. Moldenhauer moved to approve Special Education contracts for providers 2019-20.
  - Ms. Large seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers explained that this document outlines the expected providers and anticipated expenses for next year.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
12. **Action: Approval of Superintendent's Contract for 2019-20**
- Ms. Vela moved to approve the Superintendent's Contract for 2019-20.
  - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the Superintendent's Contract, which is brought forward every year for approval. Dr. Hermsmeyer will receive the same 3% increase as the rest of our staff.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
13. **Action: Approval of Revised Board Policy 5022.1 – Math Placement**
- Ms. Large moved to approve the revised Board Policy 5022.1 – Math Placement.
  - Ms. Vela seconded.
  - Discussion: Vivian Price indicated that this is an amendment to the existing policy in order to allow the use of additional curriculum.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
14. **Action: Approval of the Revised Board Policy 5002.1 - Immunizations**
- Mr. Moldenhauer moved to approve the revised Board Policy 5002.1 – Immunizations.
  - Mr. Rodriguez seconded.

- Discussion: Amy Podratz explained that this policy reflects the current requirements of the law and the state. Rancho Cucamonga students must be fully immunized while homeschool students who attend the Learning Center on occasion are not required to be.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

15. **Action: Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 5018.1 – Graduation Requirements**

- Ms. Large moved to approve the revised Board Policy 5018.1 – Graduation Requirements – upon second reading.
- Mr. Caouette seconded.
- Discussion: **Debbie Daniel provided the Board with information regarding our graduation requirements and provided comparison to other schools. Our goal is to provide our students with every opportunity to meet the College and Career Indicators.**
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

16. **Action: Approval of the Teacher Salary Schedules 2019-20**

- Ms. Vela moved to approve the Teacher Salary Schedules 2019-20
- Ms. Large seconded.
- Discussion: Diane Anvari explained that the salary schedules were adjusted in order to comply with upcoming changes to minimum wage and Exempt status thresholds.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

17. **Action: Approval of the Board Calendar 2019-20**

- Ms. Vela moved to approve the Board Calendar.
- Ms. Large seconded.
- Discussion: Natali South reviewed the calendar for next year's Board meetings.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

18. **Action: Approval of Long Distance Travel for Venture Online Staff to attend the Ignite! Conference**

- Mr. Moldenhauer moved to approve long distance travel for Venture Online staff to attend the Ignite! Conference.
- Ms. Vela seconded.
- Discussion: **Vivian Price explained that since our Venture Online staff live in other states, and therefore their travel to our annual conference requires Board approval.**
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

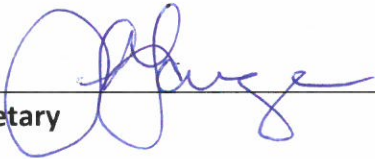
19. **Board Comments**

- Mr. Rodriguez: Thank you for the Town Hall meetings. I'd like to get any handouts that might be available. Also, I'd like to say that my family has had a great experience with our ES. I am very impressed with the level of communication and interaction we've received this year.
- Mr. Moldenhauer: This is my last Empire meeting. I've enjoyed being on this Board and appreciate the work that we've been able to do.
- Mr. Schneider: My grandkids are really enjoying being part of the Venture program. This has been a great opportunity for them.

20. **Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**

- Mr. Moldenhauer moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:31 a.m.
- Ms. Large seconded.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Schneider, Moldenhauer, Large, Vela, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Caouette; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

Secretary



Date

9-12-19

