

SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOLS ...REDEFINING SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

MEETING MINUTES Decebember 8, 2020 3:00 p.m.

27740 Jefferson Avenue, Temecula CA 92590

Present:

Staff: Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent of Admin Ops Natali South, Director of Executive Support

1. Call to Order

• Tim Trainor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Action: Approval of Agenda

- Ms. Phalen moved to approve the agenda, amending item #8 to be an Information Item rather than an Action Item.
- Ms. Burt seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Trainor, Burt, Ellard, Phalen; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted.

3. Action: Approval of Minutes from November 19, 2020

- Ms. Phalen moved to approve the minutes from November 19, 2020.
- Ms. Burt seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Trainor, Burt, Ellard, Phalen; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted.

4. Activity: Public Comments

None

5. Information: Superintendent's Report

 Amy Podratz reviewed the Superintendent's Report. Amy also provided an update regarding the potential need to hold lotteries in our charters next year to determine student enrollment and placement due to limited funding from the state.

6. Discussion: Staggering Board Terms

Natali South provided an update regarding staggering Board terms to prevent
multiple Board members from terming out at the same time. Legal counsel
suggested that this be managed by the charters directly, since they are
governed by the Bylaws that determine Board terms. In the event that multiple
terms co-terminate at the same time, the charter school Board could conduct a
lottery of interested members to potentially extend any number of positions by
one year in order to adjust the year a member's term would end.

7. Activity - Annual Board Training

Natali South led the Board through annual training and reviewed a
presentation developed by legal counsel regarding Board members' roles and
responsibilities as directed by the Brown Act, SB126, GC1090 and other
applicable regulations.

8. Information: Budget Update

 Amy Podratz reviewed the Budget Summary that was included in the Board packet and provided an update regarding budget adjustments for the balance of the year.

9. Information: Board Comments

- Ms. Phalen: Thank you for the tremendous efforts to keep us all updated during such challenging times. Keep up the good work!
- Ms. Burt: I echo that. Springs is an example, not just in Calfornia, but even nationally, as to how to adapt when unexpected circumstances arise. Were we going to discuss filling the vacancy on Springs Inc?
 - i. Board and staff engaged in a conversation regarding the process for filling the vacancy and tabled this discussion for a future meeting.
- Ms. Ellard: Our staff is always ahead of the curve and proactively looking out for what's coming to be sure we're complying with all of the requirements. I'm very grateful for that!
- Tim Trainor: Merry Christmas, everyone!

10. Action: Adjournment

- Ms. Phalen moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:01 p.m.
- Ms. Burt seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Trainor, Burt, Ellard, Phalen; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted.

Famela Ellard	2/9/2021
Pamela Ellard, Secretary	Date