

CITRUS SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

August 10, 2022

1:00 p.m.

**Pechanga Resort Casino
45000 Pechanga Pkwy
Temecula, CA 92592**

Cottonwood Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

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:

Charlene Ponzio, Board Chair Cheryl LaCount, Secretary Pam Rivas, Treasurer Eugene Dokes, Board Director Jessica Large, Board Director Lauren Rugge, Board Director Kellie Woodson, Board Director	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent of Admin Ops Virginia Smith, Asst. Superintendent, Human Resources Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Katherine Van Leeuwen, Senior Director of Admin Ops Linda Rhoads-Parks, Legal Counsel
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- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
 - Natali South called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Action: Approval of Agenda**
 - Ms. Ponzio moved to approve the agenda.
 - Ms. Rivas seconded.
 - Vote: 3 Ayes: LaCount, Ponzio, Rivas; 0 Noes; 1 Absent: Rugge; Motion Adopted
- 3. Information: Appointment and Reappointment of Board Members**
 - Natali South informed the Board that Springs Inc. reappointed Charlene Ponzio for a second term, expiring June 30, 2025, and appointed Eugene

Dokes, Jessica Large and Kellie Woodson for first, renewable terms, expiring June 30, 2025.

4. **Oath of Office: Eugene Dokes, Jessica Large, and Kellie Woodson**
 - Natali South led Eugene Dokes and Kellie Woodson in the Oath of Office. Jessica Large will be sworn in at an upcoming meeting.

5. **Public Comments**
 - None

6. **Action: Approval of Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy**
 - Ms. LaCount moved to approve the Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy.
 - Ms. Ponzio seconded.
 - Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the changes to this policy and indicated that it is required to have the updated policy in place prior to the start of school.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Dokes, LaCount, Ponzio, Rivas, Woodson; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: Large, Ruge; Motion Adopted

7. **Action: Approval of MOU with Barstow Community College**
 - Ms. Rivas moved to approve the MOU with Barstow Community College.
 - Ms. Ponzio seconded.
 - Discussion: Dr. Hermsmeyer explained that the partnership with Barstow Community College will allow our students to earn college credit.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Dokes, LaCount, Ponzio, Rivas, Woodson; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: Large, Ruge; Motion Adopted

8. **Action: Approval of Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers**
 - Ms. LaCount moved to approve the Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers.
 - Ms. Ponzio seconded.
 - Discussion: Virginia Smith explained that the DON is certifying that there is an insufficient number of certificated staff with English Learner authorizations. Having the adopted DON in place will allow time for teachers to seek the necessary certifications.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Dokes, LaCount, Ponzio, Rivas, Woodson; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: Large, Ruge; Motion Adopted

9. Information: Annual Board Training


- Linda Rhoads-Parks, Esq., provided comprehensive training for the Boards on the matters of The Brown Act, CG1090, Conflict of Interest and other Board-related responsibilities.

10. Board Comments

- None

11. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Ms. Rivas moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m.
- Ms. Ponzio seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Dokes, LaCount, Ponzio, Rivas, Woodson; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: Large, Rugge; Motion Adopted


Secretary

9/13/22
Date