

VISTA 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:

Jennifer Mejares-Pham, Board Chair Jennifer Araiza, Secretary Justin Moldenhauer, Treasurer Collin Harrison, Board Director Andrea Bundy, Board Director Marlene Darrow, Board Director BJ Heath, 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**
 - Mr. Harrison moved to approve the agenda.
 - Ms. Mejares-Pham seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Araiza, Bundy, Darrow, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
- 3. Information: Appointment and Reappointment of Board Members**
 - Natali South informed the Board that Springs Inc. reappointed Justin Moldenhauer for a second term, expiring June 30, 2025, and appointed Barbara "BJ" Heath for a first, renewable term, expiring June 30, 2025.

4. Oath of Office: BJ Heath

- Natali South led BJ Heath in the Oath of Office.

5. Public Comment

- None

6. Action: Approval of Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy

- Mr. Harrison moved to approve the Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy.
- Ms. Araiza 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: 7 Ayes: Araiza, Bundy, Darrow, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. Action: Approval of Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers

- Ms. Mejares-Pham moved to approve the Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers as corrected.
- Mr. Harrison 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: 7 Ayes: Araiza, Bundy, Darrow, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

8. 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.

9. Board Comments

- None

10. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Ms. Heath moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m.
- Ms. Araiza seconded.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Araiza, Bundy, Darrow, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Jennifer Araiza, Secretary

09/02/22

Date