

EMPIRE SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 15, 2022

9:00 a.m.

27740 Jefferson Ave. Temecula, CA
Rancho Cucamonga Student Center
8969 Archibald Ave.
Rancho Cucamonga, CA

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:

Ivo Caouette, Chair Michelle Nagelvoort, Treasurer Jason Rodriguez, Board Director Craig Schneider, Board Director	Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin Ops Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Debbie Daniel, Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Services Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Trevor Johnson, Senior Director of Business Monica Lopez, Principal, Rancho Cucamonga
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1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

- Mr. Caouette called the meeting to order at 9:12 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Agenda

- Mr. Schneider moved to approve the agenda with an amendment to the agenda to move reappointment of Board members and Election of Officers and Subcommittees to the December meeting.
- Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

3. **Action: Election of Officers & Appointment of Subcommittees**
 - This item was removed from the agenda and will be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

4. **Action: Approval of June 9, 2022 Minutes**
 - Ms. Nagelvoort moved to approve the Minutes from June 9, 2022.
 - Mr. Rodriguez seconded.
 - Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

5. **Action: Approval of August 10, 2022 Minutes**
 - Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve the Minutes from August 10, 2022.
 - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
 - Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

6. **Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**
 - Mr. Schneider moved to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Warrants and Personnel Action Report.
 - Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
 - Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. **Public Comments**
 - None

8. **Information: Superintendent's Report**
 - Debbie Daniel explained that Dr. Hermsmeyer is absent from today's meeting in response to a recent incident at the Otay Ranch Student Center which required her presence on campus. Amy Podratz reviewed the Superintendent's report, and provided an update regarding our plans to submit a county-wide benefit charter to the County of San Bernardino. The charter would be named Inland Empire Springs.

9. **Information: Notification to Riverside County SELPA of Intent to Investigate SELPA Transition for 2023-24 School Year**
 - Courtney Cook explained that Empire Springs has given notice to Riverside County SELPA that we will be considering transitioning to another provider, El Dorado SELPA, for services in order for the network to be members of the same SELPA. The notification must be made to the SELPA as well as our Board prior to engaging in services with a different provider.

10. Action: Approval of Unaudited Actuals

- Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve the Unaudited Actuals.
- Ms. Nagelvoort seconded.
- Discussion: Trevor Johnson reviewed the Unaudited Actuals report and provided financial updates and projections. He explained that we have a plan in place to disperse the one-time monies we received over the next few years.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

11. Action: Approval of Superintendent's Goals 2022-23

- Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve the Unaudited Actuals.
- Mr. Schneider seconded.
- Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the Superintendent's Goals for 2022-23 and explained why Kathleen selected these particular areas to focus on for the year.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

12. Board Comments

- None

13. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Ms. Nagelvoort moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 a.m.
- Mr. Rodriguez seconded.
- Vote: 4 Ayes: Caouette, Nagelvoort, Rodriguez, Schneider;
3 Absent: Mendez-Cantu, Vargas, Vela; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

Stephanie Vargas
Secretary

December 8, 2022
Date