

# PACIFIC SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

700 E. Bobier Ave. Vista, CA 92084

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 6, 2025

**4:30 p.m.**

**Vista Student Center**

**700 E. Bobier Ave. Vista, CA 92084**

**Otay Ranch Academy for the Performing Arts**

**2371 Fenton St. Chula Vista, CA 91914**

*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:**

Barbara BJ Heath, Chair Collin Harrison, Vice Chair Reginald Wadlington, Secretary Justin Moldenhauer, Treasurer Debbie Daniel, Director (arrived at 4:40 p.m.) Jennifer Mejares-Pham, Director Lauren Rugge, Director	Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Dr. Vivian Price, Asst. Superintendent, Education Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin. Ops Virginia Smith, Asst. Superintendent, Human Resources Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Michelle Sapanara, Asst. Superintendent, Student Services Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Trevor Johnson, Senior Director of Business Beverly Voechting, Director of High School Programs Erin Chafin, Credential Analyst Brynne Dukes, Principal Kim Bagby, Principal Renee Albright, Charter Relations Coordinator
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- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
  - Ms. Heath called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
  - Ms. Rugge moved to amend the agenda to enter the Closed Session after the presentation of the Second Interim Budget.
  - Ms. Mejares-Pham seconded.

- Vote: 6 Ayes: Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 1 Absent: Daniel; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

**3. Action: Approval of Minutes from February 6, 2025**

- Mr. Moldenhauer moved to approve the Minutes from February 6, 2025.
- Mr. Wadlington seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 1 Absent: Daniel; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

**4. Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**

- Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Warrants, Personnel Action Report, and Contract Ratifications As Posted: Contract with Kolibri Corporation at 2371 Fenton Street, Chula Vista and Contract with Emcor Mesa Energy Systems at 2371 Fenton Street, Chula Vista.
- Ms. Rugge seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 1 Absent: Daniel; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

**5. Public Comment**

- None

**6. Information: Student Spotlight: Journey Homeschool High School**

- The Board enjoyed a video presentation created by Journey students, Noah and Carla. Noah and Carla discussed all the incredible opportunities provided by Springs for high school students.

**7. Information: Student Spotlight: Field Trip Nutcracker**

- The Board enjoyed a video presentation created by Caroline Nelms field trip adventure to the Nutcracker ballet with Temecula and Vista Student Centers.

**8. Information: Student Spotlight - 25th Year Springs Silver Jubilee**

- The Board enjoyed a video presentation of our 25th Year Birthday Celebration events hosted at our many student centers across Southern California.

**9. Information: Superintendent's Report**

- Kathleen Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's Report and provided network-wide updates, including staff development events, our 25th Birthday Bash celebrations and marketing efforts.

10. **Information: First Reading of Revised Board Policy 8006.1 - Certification**
- Virginia Smith and Erin Chafin discussed the changes being made to BP 8006.1 - Certification. These changes reflect modifications to our current practice including the fact that we no longer conduct payroll through the County, and the removal of some obsolete language. With no changes requested, this policy will be brought back at a future meeting for second reading and approval.
11. **Action: Waive the First Reading and Approve Revised Board Policy 5022.1 - High School Math Placement**
- Ms. Mejares-Pham moved to waive the first reading and approve revised Board Policy 5022.1 - High School Math Placement.
  - Mr. Moldenhauer seconded.
  - Discussion: Beverly Voechting explained that this policy is being updated to reflect our current practice. Board members' questions were answered by staff.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Daniel, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
12. **Action: Approval of 2024-2025 Second Interim Budget**
- Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the 2024-2025 Second Interim Budget.
  - Ms. Rugge seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the Second Interim for Pacific Springs Charter School and indicated a slight drop in ADA impacting revenues and expenditures. The school expects to end the year with a negative net revenue due to the costs of opening up a new building, but maintains a strong ending fund balance.
  - Vote: 7 Ayes: Daniel, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
13. **Closed Session - in Accordance with Gov Code Section GC54954.5/54956.9: Entered into at 12:00 p.m.**
- 54956.9(d)(2): Conference with Legal Counsel - F-2371
14. **Open Session - Enter into Open Session at 6:25 p.m.**
- No Action Taken
15. **Action: Approval of Approval of Tenant Rules for Fenton**
- Ms. Mejares-Pham moved to approve the Tenant Rules for the Fenton Avenue property with the inclusion of language written to inform the tenant that they must comply with all local, state, and federal laws that pertain to public schools.
  - Ms. Rugge seconded.

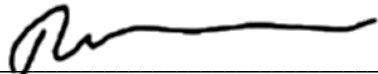
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Daniel, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

**16. Board Comments**

- Ms. Mejares-Pham: With sadness, I will be resigning from the board. I have very much enjoyed my long tenure with Springs, but the time has come.
- Ms. Rugge: I would like to remind staff that I would like to see engagement numbers for students who are taking the Ethnic Studies courses through Barstow Community College.
- Mr. Harrison: Jen, we are sad to see you leave. We will miss you!

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

- Mr. Wadlington moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.
- Ms. Mejares-Pham seconded.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Daniel, Harrison, Heath, Mejares-Pham, Moldenhauer, Rugge Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Reginald Wadlington, Secretary

May 8, 2025

Date