



SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA
...REDEFINING SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

4:00 p.m.

27740 Jefferson Ave, Temecula, CA 92590
Dan Labar 607 E. Tehama St Orland, CA 92963
Irene Valdez 2112 N. Commerce St, Stockton, CA 92504
Jeff Rice 18820 Lodestone Ct Penn Valley, CA 92946
Jodi Jones 5312 Wedge Cr. Fair Oaks, CA 925628
Rebecca Marsolais 5309 Kenneth Carmichael, CA 95608

Present:

Board: Dan Labar, Chair Jodi Jones, Secretary Rebecca Marsolais, Vice Chair Jeff Rice, Treasurer Irene Valdez, Director	Staff: Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin. Ops. Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Cynthia Rachel, Senior Director of Education - Northern CA Renee Albright, Charter Relations Coordinator
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1. Call to Order

- Natali South called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

2. Information/Activity: Introductions of Springs Staff & Board Members

- Staff and board members introduced themselves. Staff members indicated their role for the organization and board candidates shared their qualifications for serving on the founding board.

3. Action: Administer Oath of Office for the founding Board

- Natali South administered the Oath of Office for our initial founding board members: Dan Labar, Jodi Jones, Rebeca Marsolais, Jeff Rice, and Irene Valdez.

4. Action: Election of Officers & Appointment of Subcommittees

- Becky Marsolias moved to appoint board members to the offices as indicated:
 - Board Chair: Dan Labar
 - Vice Chair: Becky Marsolais

- Jodi Jones: Secretary
- Jeff Rice: Treasurer
- Irene Valdez seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

5. Action: Approval of Agenda

- Ms. Jones moved to approve the agenda.
- Mr. Rice seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

6. Activity: Public Comment

- None

7. Action: Approval of Shasta Springs Charter School - Establishment Charter Petition

- Ms. Marsolais moved to approve the Shasta Springs Charter School - establishment of the charter petition.
- Ms. Valdez seconded.
- Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the Charter Petition that will be submitted to Millville Elementary School District for the operation of our Shasta Springs Charter School. The school will operate our Connections at Springs program.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

8. Action: Approval of Liberty Springs Charter School - Establishment Charter Petition

- Mr. Labar moved to approve the Liberty Springs Charter School - establishment of the charter petition.
- Mr. Rice seconded.
- Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the Charter Petition that will be submitted to Browns Elementary School District for the operation of our Liberty Springs Charter School. The school will operate our Connections at Springs program.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

9. Action: Approval of Board Policies: 5006.1, 7003.1, & 2001.1

- Ms. Jones moved to approve the following Board Policies: 5006.1: Independent Study, 7003.1: Conflict of Interest, 2001.1: Uniform Complaint Board Policies.
- Ms. Valdez seconded.
- Discussion: Amy Podratz presented these policies for approval as they need to be embedded in the petition at the time of submittal. Additional policies will be brought forward upon approval of the charters.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

10. Action: Approval of the 2026/27 Attendance Calendar for both Shasta and Liberty Springs Charter Schools

- Ms. Marsolais moved to approve the 2026/27 Attendance Calendar for both Shasta and Liberty Springs Charter Schools.
- Mr. Labar seconded.
- Discussion: Amy Podratz presented the school calendars for Shasta and Liberty Springs schools for the 2026-27 school year.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

11. Action: Approval of the Articles of Incorporation

- Ms. Jones moved to approve the Articles of Incorporation.
- Ms. Valdez seconded.
- Discussion: Tanya Rogers explained that the Articles of Incorporation were drafted by our charter attorney, Young, Minney & Corr, and will be filed with the Secretary of State.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

12. Action: Approval of the Bylaws

- Ms. Marsolais moved to approve the Bylaws.
- Mr. Labar seconded.
- Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the Bylaws for Springs Charter Schools, Northern CA, Inc.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

13. Action: Approval of Board Policy 7001.1 and Resolution - Board Stipends

- Mr. Labar moved to approve Board Policy 7001.1 and Resolution - Board Stipends.
- Ms. Valdez seconded.
- Natali South reviewed the policy that establishes the guidelines for board stipends.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

14. Action: Approval of Long Distance Travel to attend the National Hybrid Schools Conference

- Mr. Rice moved to approve the long-distance travel for the National Hybrid Schools conference in Georgia.
- Ms. Jones seconded.
- Dr. Hermsmeyer explained that Cynthia Rachel will attend this conference that focuses on non-traditional school options.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;

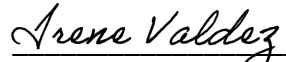
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.

15. Information: Board Comments

- None

16. Action: Adjournment

- Ms. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m.
- Mr. Labar seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Labar, Rice, Jones, Marsolais, Valdez;
0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted.



Irene Valdez, Director

06/01/26

Date