



Sonoma Charter School

Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 28, 2021 • 6:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Open Session

AGENDA

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6:32 p.m. CALL TO ORDER

Board Members Present:

Greg Stubbs Barbara Brooks Mary Oaks

Rob Church Megie Murray Marc Elin (Director) Jeffrey Erkelens

Board Report Out:

No actions were taken during the closed session, therefore, there was nothing to report out in the open session.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Marc reported that the facility and improvements for Cluster 3 courtyard should be completed by the beginning of the 2021-22 school year and that progress was coming along very well.

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I. PROGRAMS

2021-22 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)Action Required

- Marc reviewed the LCAP summary and goals that had been shared at previous Open Session Board meetings. This included the explanation of implementing the new Special Education program.
- The summary was developed as a result of information shared by staff and parents in surveys, referred as the stakeholders.

- Four goals were established and included in the LCAP. Marc summarized the specifics of each goal:
 1. **Goal 1: Improving academic achievement of all students as a result of implementing a tiered support plan**
 2. **Goal 2: Establishing and Reinforcing a tech-based learning and reporting system**
 3. **Goal 3: Improving the culture and climate on campus; including raising attendance rates to 95%**
 4. **Goal 4: Increasing parent involvement and communication**

The Board was asked to vote on whether or not to approve the LCAP. **The Board voted 5 to 0 to approve the LCAP.**

II. FISCAL

A) SCOE Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

Title III English Learner Program Consortium Membership for 2020-21Action Required

- Marc described the MOU and the Board was asked to vote as to whether or not they authorize Marc to enter into the SCOE agreement/consortium as explained and outlined in the packet (see attached).
- **The Board voted and approved in a vote 5 to 0 to authorize Marc to enter into the MOU agreement.**

B) 2021-22 School Budget Adoption

Action Required

- Jeffrey shared the information from the 2020-21 budget and the budget projections for the next 3 years and asked for questions.
- He then shared the packet (see attached) information in the 2021-22 School Budget and the annual savings plus enrollment growth. Enrollment for the coming school year is up to 220. He reminded all that the funding from outside sources is based on the attendance record of students and not on the actual enrollment figures.
- He mentioned that the budget includes the addition of an enrichment program.
- The planned family giving program was presented as an important additional source of sustainable revenue.
- It was reiterated that the COVID funding availability was only for the next 2 years.
- The point was made about the importance of setting the reserve levels higher than recommended to anticipate possible future reduction in revenue in 2023-23. The reserves can be used as a cushion for unexpected expenses.
- A question was raised about locating additional sources of revenue, i.e. from grants to provide additional incentive for potential students to enroll in the school based on attractive programs available at SCS not available elsewhere.
- It was also mentioned that the reserve account would be available in case the new Special Education program being implemented had unanticipated additional costs.

The Board was asked to vote if it approved the Budget for 2021-22. The Board voted 5 to 0 in favor of the 2021-22 Budget.

Marc asked if the next Board meeting could be scheduled before Aug. 16 in preparation for the opening of the new school year.

The meeting was closed at 7:00 p.m.