



**Thursday, April 27, 2023
Governing Board Draft Minutes**

Location: Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School
1401 San Luis Bay Drive
San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

3:30-4:00 p.m. CLOSED SESSION
4:00-4:30 p.m. OPEN SESSION

In Attendance: Ellen Pitrowski, Julie Turk, Megan Horner, Bradley Escobar, Cole Cheatwood, Kevin Ashworth, JoEd Sennes

Public: Jen Senior, Jenny Crooks, Katie Robinson, Rob Rijnen, Vicki Cheatwood, Amanda Martinez

1. OPEN SESSION

1.01 Announce Closed Session items

2. CLOSED SESSION

2.01 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (GOV. CODE SECTION 54957.6)

3. OPEN SESSION

3.01 Announce action from Closed Session

Ellen reported out on labor negotiations. Ellen made a motion to approve the salary negotiations brought forth by staff. Julie seconded. All were in favor (Ellen, Julie, Megan, Cole). It is recognized that other districts receive additional funding through COLA and other revenue sources.

3.02 Pledge of Allegiance

4. ACTION

4.01 Consensus on Order of Business

4.02 Approval of Minutes – March 23, 2023 and April 13, 2023

Julie made a motion to approve the minutes of 03/23 and 04/13. JoEd seconded. All were in favor.

5. PUBLIC INPUT

5.01 Correspondence

None received.

5.02 Public Comment

Jenny Crooks - The rummage sale was a big success. Mock Rock has been a blast. Thank you to the Governing Board for the service and work they put into the school. Thank you to Katie and Rob for throwing their hat into the ring for the open Governing Board positions.

6. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

Rhianna Henderson organized an outstanding Earth Week including the rummage sale, special assemblies, and activities during lunch each day. Thank you to everyone who helped. The sensory path is moving forward for the Peacock building. Thank you to Kevin and Lindsey for organizing Mock Rock. The district is installing a new playground this summer. New fences are also being installed. Lucia Mar has agreed to do breakfast and lunch for the school and there will be a lot of new offerings in compostable packaging. The governing board parent representative election will be Wednesday, May 3rd from 8:30-12:30.

7. PTO REPORT

Vicki provided a report from the PTO which can be seen in full below.

8. INFORMATION

8.01 Reports by Board Members

Kevin - Mock Rock has been outstanding. It is so much fun to see our students get up on stage and be brave. This year, we're planning to morph our annual sixth-grade kickball game into a Parents/Teachers vs. 6th-Graders game. It's going to be a lot of fun. I'd like to thank Nancy Tejada for

her years of service on our yearbook. She does a tremendous amount of work and should be commended for her efforts. As we're preparing the yearbook, I've been working with the sixth graders on their yearbook paragraphs and it is just so special to read what they have to say about their years at Bellevue.

Megan - The carnival is on May 21st. It's really exciting. The kids are looking forward to it.

Cole - The rummage sale went really well. There was a lot of good feedback and a lot of people helped out. Looking forward to the carnival. It's nice to see that back. Earth Week was great. There was a lot for kids to do during the week.

Ellen - There was a great report from a neighbor on the bake sale. Thank you to Megan, Bradley, and Vicki for all the work they've done in their respective positions.

JoEd - At Bellevue, we ramp up, not down as the year closes. We're beginning to prepare for Open House. We're going to finish strong. Saying goodbye to the fifth-graders is always hard.

Bradley - Jude is doing so well. He's happy at school. Seeing his Top Dog booklet was really special
8.02 Governing Board Candidate Statements

Katie Robinson and Rob Rijnen read their candidate statements for the parent positions which were also published in the Bulldog. Ellen Pitrowski read a statement regarding her position as a community board member.

9. DISCUSSION

10. ACTION

11. CONSENT AGENDA

12. UPCOMING MEETING PLANNING

12.01 Develop Agenda

12.02 Review assignments and action items

12.03 Next scheduled meeting: May 25, 2023 - There will be another meeting the following week on May 30, 2023.

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Governing Board Candidate Statements for the 2023 Election (Two open positions)

Governing Board Statement – Katie Robinson

I am submitting my interest in joining the BSFCS Governing Board as a parent representative. I have two boys at the school and have a daughter in college who attended BSFCS for K-6. I have been actively involved at BSFCS for the past 15 years.

I have dedicated my career to advocating and supporting children who have been abused and neglected. I work at SLO County District Attorney Office as the Child Abuse Interview Team Program Manager. I have a master's degree in social work and have always been drawn to development of programs and learning policies and procedures. I enjoy working as part of a team and have seen the outcomes of collaboration and teamwork in the BSFCS community.

Throughout my career I have seen the underbelly of our community and feel very fortunate to have my children a part of the Bellevue community. I look forward to being able to continue serving our community, families, and children in a new capacity. Thank you for your consideration.

Governing Board Statement - Rob Rijnen

I am the parent of a 2nd and 6th grader. I previously served two terms on the BSFCS board, which I found a meaningful way to serve the school community. I work as a real estate photographer, but taught elementary school for 15 years in the Netherlands and in Finland. I believe my experience as a parent, teacher and board member gives me an understanding of many perspectives involved in school governance and an appreciation of what is needed from a member of the board. I would be honored to serve the school as a member of the BSFCS board.

April 27, 2023

Dear Governing Board Members,

As the parent of 2 Bellevue alumnae, I was lucky to be able to spend time on campus helping out as a volunteer during the 8 years Julia and Sophia attended school here. I was struck by the atmosphere of trust and respect that is shared with our students as well as the strong sense of community among our students, their families and our staff. This positive environment encourages inquisitiveness and makes Bellevue a very special space for learning. I felt honored to be asked to join the Governing Board in 2019. My goal in serving on the Board is to assist in its work of overseeing the excellent educational opportunities at Bellevue. I also have the goal of learning and listening so that I can serve the Board well as your president. I have enjoyed meeting with Julie Turk monthly, and have gotten to know and have sought advice from other local board presidents through my participation in weekly check-in meetings organized by Ellen Sheffer, whom I consider a mentor. I feel strongly that input from our staff and community is critical to the success of this rich learning environment for each of our students. I am proud of the work that the Governing Board does, and I respectfully request your consideration in inviting me to continue as community representative for another term.

Warmly,
Ellen Pitrowski

GB Meeting 4/27/23

Robinson

- Mike is the next term Bulldog PTO President & Amanda Martinez is the next Bulldog PTO Treasurer.
- We had restaurant night at Pokirito yesterday. It was fabulous. If you haven't tried it yet do so, its delish. 848 Foothill Blvd.
- We are putting on a Garden Lunch Party next Saturday, May 6 from 9-12 with the direction of Christian, Jeff & Elaine Elmore.
- Monday May 8th at 8am we are meeting to discuss the next Annual Fundraiser. The theme the won was Rock N Roll. We look forward to seeing you there. If you have questions, please contact Angie White or Hearther Andrews.
- Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week is coming up May 8-May 12. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The PTO is trying to make this week more kid oriented.
- The Carnival is underway and planned for Sunday, May 21 from 11am – 3pm. We are also working on the Carnival and raffle baskets with the teachers' help of course. I am working with Megan Horner to submit our Vendor List and their certificate of liability insurance to the School and SISC. I hope to have that completed by May 5th. **Does the PTO or School need to be listed as additionally insured??** Questions can be directed to Megan Horner or Genie Kim
- May 25 is the Variety Show. Presented by the VAPA Committee. If you have questions, contact Sarah Rijnen.
- The Bulldog PTO's next board members are putting on a retreat Thursday, June 1 from 9-11am in the MPR. Please speak with Genie Kim if you have any questions.
- Yearbook Sales are closed – if you need to purchase one, please contact Nancy Tejada.
- We made note at the last PTO that we need teacher receipts and reimbursements on or by May 31st, 2023. This will give the treasurer plenty of time to get all reimbursements paid before the last day of school. This will also help us report on the budget at the following meeting.

All contact information can be found in the BSFCS bulldog newsletters.