



**Thursday, March 17, 2022
Governing Board Minutes**

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

**In attendance: Kevin Ashworth, Julie Turk, Julie Stellpflug, JoEd Sennes, Ellen Pitrowski, Megan Horner
Absent: Bradley Escobar
Public: Vicki Cheatwood, Jen Senior, Olivia Watt, Erica Luhn, Lisa Matthews, Teri Sanchez, Jenny Crooks, Elaine Elmore
4:00-5:00 p.m. OPEN SESSION**

1. OPEN SESSION

1.01 Pledge of Allegiance

2. ACTION

2.01 Consensus on Order of Business
2.02 Approval of Minutes – February 17, 2022

Julie Turk made a motion to approve the minutes. Kevin seconded. All were in favor.

3 PUBLIC INPUT

3.01 Correspondence

A letter was read from Valerie Breese regarding the kindergarten schedule. The letter is included in full in the minutes.

3.02 Public Comment

Jenny Crooks - Wanted to express gratitude to our school volunteers who work in the library and SciTech during lunch. Those two spaces are important to our kids. Thank you to the board for their work.

4. ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

It's amazing to see all of the fun and enriching activities our school does. Green and white had a great field trip opportunity to have a field trip to Cal Poly. Purple and red went to the Morro Bay Natural History Museum. Had a meeting with the VAPA committee regarding the return of the school play for 2022-2023. Sarah Rijnen will be doing the curriculum piece to accompany the show. Erika Martin has set up the delivery of our extra school lunches to the Cal Poly cupboard for food insecure students. Earth Week is coming up. Rhianna Henderson has set up many great activities for the week. The dance performance April 6. We've decided to go with full-day kindergarten for the next school year, with a graduated schedule with students leaving at 12:00 at the beginning of the year until after goal-setting conference week. The admissions lottery will be next week. Kinder Roundup will also return this year. The state of TK is still in the air. The location of the TK classroom is also in the works. Coffee with the Principal is starting tomorrow to offer a more informal avenue for parents to learn about the school.

5. PTO REPORT

Thank you to all of the parent volunteers for all they do around the school. Yearbooks will be here June 3rd.

6. INFORMATION

6.01 Reports by Board members

Kevin - Though our trip to Catalina was cut short by a day, I was able to work with the camp to ensure the students had the opportunity to experience almost every activity we do at camp. I have to thank our parent chaperones Kristen Escobar, Jason Cohn, Carrie Gorton, and Lindsey Kizis for giving up a week of their lives to join us and make the trip a huge success for all students. That speaks not only to the type of volunteerism we have here at school (and I had more volunteers than needed) but also to the importance of having the right

people on these overnight trips. Thank you, also, to Kristen McKiernan, Jenny Horstman, Jenny Crooks, and Amy Parker for delivering food to the sixth-graders last Friday; it was a special treat.

JoEd - Green and White need all kinds of volunteers for their walk-through experience and Colonial Days. The set up will happen 4/2 and we could use all of the help we can get. Camp is next week and we are grateful for our parent chaperones and all of the great parents who volunteer to help.

Ellen - Thank you to all of the parents for all of the work they do all around the school. Thank you to Vicki for her time and professionalism in working on the PTO MOU.

Megan - Watching the sixth grade service projects has been so nice. The field trips offered at this school are such great opportunities. It's just so cool to see.

Julie Stellpflug - The environment of Bellevue is so fun to see and hear through the eyes of a seven year old. Hearing about these field trips and school days is so appreciated. Thank you to Julie Turk for having Coffee with the Principal and bringing new things to the school.

6.02 Enrollment Report

We are down one student due to a move.

6.03 State Budget Projections

A discussion of the State Budget Projections was held.

7. DISCUSSION

7.01 PTO MOU

A discussion of the PTO MOU was held.

7.02 Governing Board Election Process

A discussion of the Governing Board Election Process was held. Julie announced dates for each part of the process. Thank you to Lisa Dostal for putting it all together.

7.03 Attendance Policy (1st reading)

A discussion of the Attendance Policy was held

7.04 Paraeducator Funding

A discussion of the history of and funding for the paraeducator positions was held.

Jenny Crooks - Thank you to Julie for a thorough explanation of the funding and history of those positions.

Vicki Cheatwood - Having PTO fundraiser for the positions would be really difficult. There are several parents looking at ways they can support keeping the positions.

Olivia Watt - Read a letter in support of Lisa and Teri (included in full in the minutes).

Teri - Spoke in support of Lisa Matthews as the reading intervention teacher and in support of the paraeducator positions.

Jen Senor - Spoke about the importance of finding support for the students who need additional help.

Lisa Matthews - The support of parents and teachers has meant a lot. Finding ways to support students is really important as a school. This has got to be a priority for the school that is funded by the school's budget.

A letter was read from Valerie Breese in support of the paraeducator position and is included in the minutes.

8. ACTION

8.01 PTO MOU

Julie Turk made a motion to approve the MOU. Ellen seconded. All were in favor.

8.02 Governing Board Election Process

Ellen made a motion to approve the Governing Board Election Process. JoEd seconded. All were in favor.

8.03 Attendance Policy (1st reading)

Julie Stelpflug made a motion to approve the Attendance Policy. Ellen seconded. All were in favor.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

10. UPCOMING MEETING PLANNING

10.01 Develop Agenda - remove Town Hall. Add Governing Board statements.

10.02 Review assignments and action items

10.03 Next scheduled meeting: April 21, 2022