

Forest Charter School

Monthly Charter Council Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2023

5:00 p.m. Regular Session
470 Searls Avenue, Sequoia
Nevada City, CA 95959

Council Members:

Dan Thiem, Community Representative, and Chair
Dylan Hendricks, Parent Representative
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Amea Medeiros, Parent Representative
Geoffrey Thornton, Parent Representative
Tita Fowler, Secretary

Minutes

Present: Dan Thiem, Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Katy Baggett, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher (Truckee campus), Dylan Hendricks, Amea Medeiros, Dave Stanger, Geoffrey Thornton, Hannah Greenpine (Auburn Campus), Christine Sween (Foresthill Campus)

- 1. Call to Order: 5:02 pm**
- 2. Roll Call:** Dan Thiem, Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Katy Baggett, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher (Truckee campus), Dylan Hendricks, Amea Medeiros, Dave Stanger, Geoffrey Thornton, Hannah Greenpine (Auburn Campus), Christine Sween (Foresthill Campus)
- 3. Information/Action: A, B, C, and D may be considered for Consent Agenda—Meshawn Simmons**

September 12, 2023, Charter Council Agenda, June 12, 2023, June 13, 2023, and August 16, 2023 Minutes, and the Warrants were presented for approval.

Geoffrey Thornton made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Amea Medeiros seconded.

Ayes: Dylan Hendricks, Amea Medeiros, Dan Thiem, Geoffrey Thornton

Nays: None

4. Closed Session

The Council met in Closed Session in compliance with the Brown Act restrictions to consider qualified matters of litigation, negotiations, student discipline, and/or personnel qualifications that are timely.

- Pending Litigation: OAH Case Number 2023070674

No action was taken.

5. Discussion: Other

Jeffrey Johnson from Elders Climate Action spoke about collaborating with Forest Charter to increase voter registration amongst eligible high school students and increase voter awareness among students in general.

Information/Discussion Items:

6. Information: WASC Self-Study—Peter Sagebiel, Dawn Anthney

Peter and Dawn provided the Council with a WASC update including final document revisions and finalizing the virtual visit details.

7. Information: Student Achievement—B.J. Hatcher

B.J. reviewed i-Ready and CAASPP participation results with the Council and led a discussion on participation numbers and increasing participation.

8. Information: 2022/23 Budget and Cash Flow—Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn provided the Council with a 2023/24 budget and Cash flow update.

9. Nevada City Learning Center Relocatable Office Space and Playground –Meshawn Simmons, Peter Sagebiel

Meshawn informed the Council that the Special Education staff have all settled into the relocatable and the final touches are being performed.

Action Items:

10. Action: 22/23 Forest Charter School Unaudited Actuals--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the 22/23 Forest Charter School Unaudited Actuals with the Council.

Dylan Hendricks made a motion to approve the 22/23 Forest Charter School Unaudited Actuals. Geoffrey Thornton seconded.

Ayes: Dylan Hendricks, Amee Medeiros, Dan Thiem, Geoffrey Thornton

Nays: None

11. Action: Office Support Job Description--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn presented the Council with the Office Support Job Description for approval. This part-time person to support the office staff with an increased workload brought on by increased enrollment.

Amee Medeiros made a motion to approve the surplus items. Geoffrey Thornton seconded.

Ayes: Dylan Hendricks, Amee Medeiros, Dan Thiem, Geoffrey Thornton

Nays: None

12. Director's Update--Peter Sagebiel

- Enrollment - Still looking very good with current enrollment at 788. Working through the waitlist and enrolling students accordingly for the remaining spots.
- Special Ed Numbers - Students with special needs have increased (everywhere). Additional staff has been hired to service the needs of our students.
- Staff Morale - Teachers and staff have started the year with renewed energy and enthusiasm.
- Other - None.

13. Future Agenda Items

- AMIM Block Grant Spending Plan (Aug-Oct)
- Dress Code Policy (Aug)
- Goal Updates (January) - School Governance, Public Relations & School Community, and FCS Education Program

14. Information: Reminder of Future Meetings

Dates for the 2023/24 Charter Council meetings were set as follows:

2023: 10/10, 11/7, 12/5**

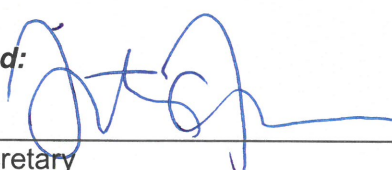
2024: 1/16, 2/6**, 3/5, 4/16, 5/14, 6/10*, 6/11**

*Special Meeting

**Budget Meeting

15. Action: Adjourn at 5:56 p.m.

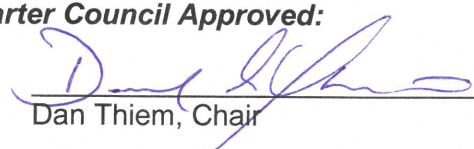
Respectfully submitted:



Tita Fowler, Secretary

10/10/23
Date

Charter Council Approved:



Dan Thiem, Chair

10/10/23
Date

