

Forest Charter School

Monthly Charter Council Meeting Minutes – August 26, 2025

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

10725 Pioneer Trail # 201, Truckee, CA 96161
23221 Foresthill Road, Foresthill, CA 95631
11952 Masters Court, Auburn, CA 95603

Council Members:

Dan Thiem, Community Representative, and Chair
Amber Baker, Parent Representative
Makala Clinton, Parent Representative
Gabriella Stockdale, Parent Representative
Amea Medeiros, Parent Representative
Tita Fowler, Secretary

Minutes

Present: Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Dawn Anthney, Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher, Laura Lysen (Foresthill), Amea Medeiros, David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween (Auburn), Dan Thiem

1. **Call to Order: 5:00 pm**
2. **Roll Call:** Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Dawn Anthney, Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher, Laura Lysen (Foresthill), Amea Medeiros, David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween (Auburn), Dan Thiem
3. **Information/Action: A, B, C, and D may be considered for Consent Agenda—Meshawn Simmons**

August 26, 2025, Regular Meeting Charter Council Agenda, June 10, 2025, Regular and Special Meeting Minutes, Contracts, and Warrants were presented for approval.

Amea Medeiros made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Amber Baker seconded. All ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amea Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

4. **Discussion: Other**

None.

Information/Discussion Items:

5. Information: Ethics Training for the Board—Peter Sagebiel, Dan Thiem

Peter and Dan discussed the upcoming Ethics Training for the Board that will be assigned starting tomorrow, 8/27/25, and needs to be completed before the start of the new year, but the board agreed to a November 1st deadline for themselves.

6. Information: Learning Center Updates—Dawn Anthney (Nevada City), Janice Eggers (Truckee), Christine Sween (Auburn/Foresthill)

Dawn, Janice, and Christine provided learning center updates and year-end wrap-ups. Each campus highlighted back-to-school events full of team building, field games, orientation, and exciting assemblies. It has been a busy and exciting start to the new school year.

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

B.J. informed the Council that we met our 95% CAASPP testing goals! The next i-Ready assessment window has just opened.

8. Information: 2025/26 Budget and Cash Flow—Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the 2025/26 budget and cash flow with the Council which will include new one-time funding. 24/25 wrapped up on target, and Meshawn will work on closing the books this next month. Enrollment coordinators are working on filling the remaining positions.

Action Items:

9. Action: 25/26 Forest Charter School Conflict of Interest Policy--Peter Sagebiel

The 25/26 Forest Charter School Conflict of Interest Policy was presented for approval.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the 25/26 Forest Charter School Conflict of Interest Policy. Makala Clinton seconded.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

10. Action: 25/26 Forest Charter School Employee Handbook--Meshawn Simmons

The 25/26 Forest Charter School Employee Handbook was presented for approval. Meshawn reviewed the few compliance updates with the Council.

Amee Medeiros made a motion to approve the 25/26 Forest Charter School Employee Handbook. Gabriella Stockdale seconded.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

11. Director's Update--Peter Sagebiel

- Political Updates - Review of AB84 and lobbying efforts have made an impact on voting down the most impactful pieces of legislation.
- Staffing Updates - Peter reviewed the remaining SPED staffing updates for the start of the new year.
- Staff Meeting - The first staff meeting was a little different this year to allow staff more time to get settled into the new year with families and students! A staff training session will be included in the next staff meeting.
- Other - None.

12. Future Agenda Items

- Ethics Training for the Board (August 2025)
- i-Ready Trends and Comparisons (subgroups)
- LCAP

13. Information: Reminder of Future Meetings

Dates for the 2025/26 Charter Council meetings were set as follows:

2025: 9/16 (Dan gone), 10/7, 11/4, 12/9**
2026: 1/13, 2/10, 3/10**, 4/21, 5/12, 6/9*, 6/9**

*Special Meeting **Budget Meeting

14. Action: Adjourn at 5:30 pm

Respectfully submitted:



Tita Fowler, Secretary

10-14-25

Date

Charter Council Approved:



Dan Thiem, Chair

10-14-25

Date

