

Forest Charter School

Monthly Charter Council Meeting Minutes – October 14, 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, Jennifer Saxelby (Foresthill), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween, Hannah Greenpine (Auburn), **Absent:** B.J. Hatcher, Amea Medeiros

1. **Call to Order: 5:01 pm**
2. **Roll Call:** Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Dawn Anthney, Amber Baker, Hannah Greenpine (Auburn), Makala Clinton, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, Jennifer Saxelby (Foresthill), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween
3. **Information/Action: A, B, C, and D may be considered for Consent Agenda—Meshawn Simmons**

The October 14, 2025, Regular Meeting Charter Council Agenda, as well as the August 26 and September 16, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes, Contracts, and Warrants, were presented for approval.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Gabriella Stockdale seconded—all ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, 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 reminded the Board of the Ethics Training requirement that needs to be completed before the start of the new year (2026). The training has been assigned and will be resent to anyone who has not completed the training. Forest Charter has set a due date of 11/7/25.

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

Dawn, Janice, and Christine provided learning center updates, which included exciting field trips and units the co-ops are studying and exploring. Dawn and Christine highlighted two IS students who are using Forest Charter's individualized learning model to launch and support extracurricular and academic activities that are exciting and motivating to the individual students' interests!

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

Peter reviewed i-Ready data with the Council.

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

Meshawn reviewed the 2025/26 budget, cash flow, and financial activity with the Council.

9. Information: Forest Charter School Salary Schedules—Peter Sagebiel and Meshawn Simmons

Peter and Meshawn discussed 2025/26 retroactive salary schedule adjustments and presented the fiscal impact. This will be brought to the Board for approval in November.

Action Items:

10. Action: Forest Charter School 24/25 Prop 28 Annual Report--Meshawn Simmons

The Forest Charter School 24/25 Prop 28 Annual Report was presented for approval.

Gabriella Stockdale made a motion to approve the 24/25 Prop 28 Annual Report. Makala Clinton seconded.

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

Nays: None

11. Action: Walker CLAD Declaration of Need Approval--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn presented Rebecca Walker's CLAD Declaration of Need for Board approval.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve Rebecca Walker's CLAD Declaration of Need. Gabriella Stockdale seconded.

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

Nays: None

12. Action: Forest Charter School Field Trip Policy--Meshawn Simmons

Forest Charter School Field Trip Policy was not presented for approval. Will be brought for approval at a future meeting.

13. Director's Update--Peter Sagebiel

- Political Updates - SB414 vetoed by Newsom, SB707 passed, expanding and updating Open Meeting and Teleconferencing Requirements under the Brown Act
- Facility Issues - Working to resolve campus issues with water leaks and rodent issues
- Staff Meeting - featured staff development on trauma-informed education - steps and tools on how to work with students experiencing trauma.
- Other - Students of Concern meetings are having a positive impact on students experiencing struggles (academic, behavioral, and mental health)

14. Future Agenda Items

- i-Ready Trends and Comparisons (subgroups)
- Prop 28 (January)

15. Information: Reminder of Future Meetings

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

2025: 11/4, 12/9**

2026: 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/21, 5/12, 6/9*, 6/9****

***Special Meeting**

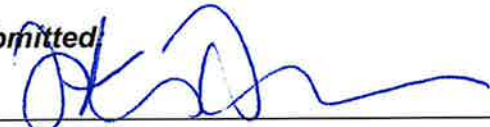
****Budget Meeting**

16. Closed Session

The Council met in Closed Session in compliance with the Brown Act restrictions to discuss pending litigation. No action was taken.

17. Action: Adjourn at 5:46 pm

Respectfully submitted:



Tita Fowler, Secretary

11-4-25
Date

Charter Council Approved:



Dan Thiem, Chair

11-4-25
Date

