

Monthly Charter Council Meeting Minutes – December 9, 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), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween (Auburn), **Absent:** Makala Clinton, Amea Medeiros

- 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), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween (Auburn),
- 3. Information/Action: A, B, C, and D may be considered for Consent Agenda—Meshawn Simmons**

The December 9, 2025, Regular Meeting Charter Council Agenda, as well as the November 14, 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, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

- 4. Discussion: Other**

None.

Information/Discussion Items:

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

Everyone has completed the required training for January 2026.

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 activities, wrapping up the Fall semester. Each administrator highlighted an IS student who uses Forest Charter School's individualized learning model to support and accelerate their personal interests and family dynamics.

7. Information: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)—Peter Sagebiel

The administration is continuing to work on gathering LCAP data. Focus has been on the Mid-Year LCAP.

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

B.J. reviewed the Forest Charter School CAASPP and Dashboard results with the Council.

9. Information: 9th Grade Math Placement—B.J. Hatcher

B.J. reviewed the 9th-grade Math placement results with the Council.

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

Meshawn updated the Council on the 2025/26 budget items. Everything is on track and enrollment looks good.

Action Items:

11. Action: Action: 2025/26 Cash Flow and First Interim Budget—Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the 2025/26 Cash Flow, 1st Interim Budget and Narrative, and Multi-Year Projections with the Council.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the 2025/26 Cash Flow, 1st Interim Budget and Narrative, and Multi-Year Projections. Gabriella Stockdale seconded the motion.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

12. Action: 2024/25 Forest Charter School Audit—Meshawn Simmons

Accepting the 2024/25 Forest Charter School Audit tabled, not received in time for the meeting.

13. Action: Forest Charter School 2025-26 Mid-year LCAP—Peter Sagebiel

Peter reviewed the 2025-26 Mid-year LCAP with the Council, including goal progress and data

Gabriella Stockdale made a motion to approve the 2025/26 Mid-year LCAP. Amber Baker seconded the motion.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

14. Action: 25/26 HSA (Health Savings Account) Contribution--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn proposed a one-time \$1000 HSA contribution (\$750 Wellness Stipend for non-participating benefit-eligible staff) to offset increasing benefit premiums.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the one-time \$1000 HSA contribution (\$750 Wellness Stipend for non-participating benefit-eligible staff). Gabriella Stockdale seconded the motion.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem

Nays: None

15. Director's Update--Peter Sagebiel

- Political Update - Nothing to report.
- Charter Renewal - Discussed renewal requirements, including districts' approval.
- Staff Appreciation Luncheon - Staff participated in a trivia game and had lunch.
- Mid-Year Check-ins - Required for staff here less than three years, and upon request. Always positive and insightful.
- Other - None.

16. Future Agenda Items

- i-Ready Trends and Comparisons (subgroups)

17. Information: Reminder of Future Meetings

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

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

***Special Meeting**

****Budget Meeting**

18. Action: Adjourn at 5:59 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Tita Fowler, Secretary

Charter Council Approved:

Dan Thiem, Chair

Date

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