

Forest Charter School

Monthly Charter Council Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2026

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, Brittani Brackett, Laura Lysen (Foresthill), Makala Clinton, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher, Amea Medeiros, Brooke Sandy (Auburn), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween, Dan Thiem

1. **Call to Order: 5:07 pm**
2. **Roll Call:** Peter Sagebiel, Meshawn Simmons, Dawn Anthney, Amber Baker, Brittani Brackett, Laura Lysen (Foresthill), Makala Clinton, Janice Eggers, Tita Fowler, B.J. Hatcher, Amea Medeiros, Brooke Sandy (Auburn), David Stanger, Gabriella Stockdale, Christine Sween, Dan Thiem
3. **Information/Action: Items A, B, and C may be considered for Consent Agenda — Meshawn Simmons**

The June 9, 2026, Regular Meeting Charter Council Agenda, as well as the May 12, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes, and Contracts, were presented for approval.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Gabriella Stockdale 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: Charter Council Board and Elections—Peter Sagebiel, Dan Thiem

Peter reported on the Charter Council Board and recent elections. Dan Thiem, Amber Baker and Makala Clinton were thanked for their service. Gabriella Stockdale was elected to another term.

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

Janice, Dawn, and Christine provided updates on learning center activities, year-end field trips, and activities. Each administrator provided highlights on how each class celebrated the end of the school year with promotions and parties. Christine introduced Brittani as the new Auburn/Foresthill Site Director and the kickoff of the Summer Reading Library. Janice highlighted the Scholarships graduating students received from the Truckee Scholarship committees.

7. Information: Charter Renewal—Peter Sagebiel

Peter provided an update on the Charter Renewal noting upcoming school board meetings in Foresthill and Auburn to receive approval for our learning centers in those areas.

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

B.J. provided an update on student achievement including i-Ready and CAASPP updates and discussions.

9. Information: Local Indicators—B.J. Hatcher

B.J. reviewed the local indicators data with the Council.

(Foresthill lost internet reception at 5:21 pm, Laura Lysen continued on speakerphone)

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

Meshawn provided an update on the 2025/26 Budget and Cash Flow and a wrap-up on school spending as the school year is closed out.

Action Items:

11. Action: Forest Charter School Policies—Meshawn Simmons

The following policies were presented for approval:

- Cell Phones and Other Electronic Signaling Devices Policy (new)
- Enrollment Policy (step clarification)
- Extreme Weather Policy (required by EdCode)

- Grade Appeal Policy (Elementary & High School) (contesting grades-will likely be more updates)
- Student Searches Policy (legal policies and process)
- Suicide Prevention Policy (mental health updates, team creation, and training)
- Suspension and Expulsion Policy

Amee Medeiros made a motion to approve the policies listed above. No action was taken on the Suicide Prevention Policy. This policy will be brought back for approval at a later meeting. Makala Clinton seconded—all ayes.

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

Nays: None

12. Action: Forest Charter School 2024 Taxes--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn presented the Forest Charter School 2024 Taxes for acceptance.

Makala Clinton made a motion to accept the Forest Charter School 2024 Taxes. Amber Baker seconded the motion. All ayes.

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

Nays: None

13. Action: Longevity Stipend--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn presented the salary schedule longevity stipends. No action was taken.

14. Action: Forest Charter School 2026/27 Budget Narrative, and Adopted Budget--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the 2026/27 Cash Flow, Budget Narrative, and Adopted Budget with the Council.

Gabriella Stockdale made a motion to approve the 2026/27 Cash Flow, Budget Narrative, and Adopted Budget. Amber Baker seconded. All ayes.

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

Nays: None

15. Action: Forest Charter School 2026/27 Education Protection Account (EPA)--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the Forest Charter School 2026/27 Education Protection Account (EPA) Resolution #2627-01-141 and EPA Expense Detail and Spending Plan with the Council.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the Forest Charter School 2026/27 Education Protection Account (EPA) Resolution #2627-01-141 and EPA Expense Detail and Spending Plan. Gabriella Stockdale seconded. All ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem
Nays: None

16. Action: Forest Charter School 2026 Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP)--Peter Sagebiel

The Forest Charter School 2026 Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP) was presented for approval.

Amee Medeiros made a motion to approve the Forest Charter School 2026 Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP). Gabriella Stockdale seconded the motion. All ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem
Nays: None

17. Action: Approval of CalSTRS Charter School/Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation (NPBC) Certification (IRS Notice 2015-07)--Meshawn Simmons

Meshawn reviewed the CalSTRS Charter School/Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Certification form as required by IRS Notice 2015-07 with the Council which will authorize Forest Charter School to execute the certification and all associated publicly available written contractual agreements necessary to provide CalSTRS retirement benefits to eligible employees. This will change bylaws and language in our contracts to allow us to remain in CalSTRS.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve CalSTRS Charter School/Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Certification form as required by IRS Notice 2015-07. Makala Clinton seconded the motion—all ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem
Nays: None

18. Action: Surplus Old Equipment and Materials—Meshawn Simmons

A list of old equipment and materials was presented to the Council for surplus approval.

Amber Baker made a motion to approve the surplus of old equipment and materials. Amee Medeiros seconded the motion—all ayes.

Ayes: Amber Baker, Makala Clinton, Amee Medeiros, Gabriella Stockdale, Dan Thiem
Nays: None

19. Action: Appointment of New Forest Charter Board Members—Peter Sagebiel

Peter recommended Carrie Brunt and Alicia Smith to be parent representatives on the Forest Charter School Charter Council.

Amber Baker made a motion to appoint Carrie Brunt and Alicia Smith as Forest Charter School Charter Council Parent Representatives. Makala Clinton seconded the motion. All ayes.

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

Nays: None

20. Director's Update--Peter Sagebiel (Meshawn provided an update in Peter's absence)

- Graduations and Promotions-Peter provided a recap of the year-end graduations and promotions. A huge thank you to B.J., Janice, Dawn, and all of the staff for their hard work in preparing for this year's graduation.
- Staff Evaluations-Peter wrapped up this year's staff evaluations. Went very well.
- Other-None.

21. Future Agenda Items

- i-Ready and CAASPP comparisons (same students not taking both?)
- Suspension/Expulsion Policy
- Administrative Salary Schedule/Classified Hourly
- Longevity Stipends/Percentages
- Discussion on Retro COLA

22. Information: Reminder of Future Meetings

Dates for the 2026/27 Charter Council meetings were set as follows:

2026: 9/15, 10/6, 11/10, 12/8**

2027: 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/20, 5/11, 6/8*, 6/8****

***Special Meeting**

****Budget Meeting**

23. Closed Session: Student Matter—Peter Sagebiel, Dawn Anthney

Consideration of Student Alternate Graduation Path / Exception to Graduation Requirements for student 80222 was discussed in Closed Session. (Government Code Section 54957 / Education Code Section 35146)

No action taken.

24. Action: Adjourn at 6:13 pm

Respectfully submitted:

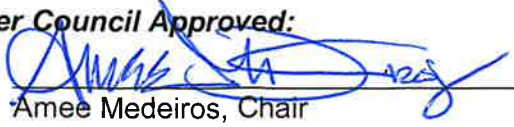


Tita Fowler, Secretary

8-25-26

Date

Charter Council Approved:



Amee Medeiros, Chair

8-25-2026

Date

