

APPROVED MINUTES
FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 21, 2020

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools was held on Thursday, May 21, 2020, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom (<https://zoom.us/j/528616088>)

I. PRELIMINARY

A. Call to Order – Chairperson of the Board – Joe Lucente

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by Chair Lucente.

B. Roll Call – Secretaries of the Board – Marie Kirakossian and Megan Stevenson

Board Members Present

Yvette King-Berg, *Community Representative*
Daniel Laughlin, *Parent Representative*
Joe Lucente, *Community Representative*
Jed Wallace, *Community Representative*
Walter Wallace, *Community Representative*

Board Members Not Present

Diane Abeyta, *Parent Representative*

C. Approval of the Agenda – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the Agenda (Item I.C.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

D. Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Jed Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the minutes of the April 16, 2020 Regular Meeting (Item I.D.1.) were approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

2. Minutes of Previous Special Meeting – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the minutes of the May 5, 2020 Special Meeting (Item I.D.2.) were approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Presentations from the Public – Chair Lucente

A Google survey “sign-up” was opened to members of the public 30 minutes prior to the public meeting. This survey took the place of the “speaker cards” available at meetings (<https://bit.ly/2wDdxrM>).

There were no presentations from the public.

B. Committee/Council Reports

Minutes of all meetings held by any committee and/or council were sent to the Board Members prior to this meeting.

There were no further reports by committees/councils.

C. Financial Business Manager’s Report

Kristin Dietz, Vice President of EdTec, and Financial Business Manager, presented the following update:

- Consolidated forecasted net income is now \$1.05M, a decrease from the previous forecast of \$152k due to the following:
 - Increase in salaries and benefits costs due to a higher number of supervision staff than originally budgeted for (\$125k consolidated increase in expense)
 - Decrease in SB 740 reimbursement per CSFA guidance (\$68k decrease in revenue at FPC, STEM and FCLA)
 - Prior year SMAA and UAR apportionment revenue received (\$29k consolidated increase in revenue)
 - Increase in contracted Special Education costs tied to Program Development Grant (\$49k increase in expense at FACS)
- Cash balances and overall fiscal health remain very strong, and all sites continue to have positive cash balances.

D. Directors’ Reports

Fenton Avenue Charter School (FACS) – Leticia Padilla Parra, Director, reported.

Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School (SMBCCS) – Cary Rabinowitz, Director, reported.

Fenton Primary Center (FPC) – Richard Parra, Director, reported.

Fenton STEM Academy (STEM) – Jennifer Miller, Director, reported.

Fenton Charter Leadership Academy (FCLA) – Jennifer Miller, Director, reported.

E. Chief Academic Officer’s Report

Fenton Charter Public Schools (FCPS) – Dr. David Riddick, Chief Academic Officer, reported.

F. Executive Director’s Report

Fenton Charter Public Schools (FCPS) – Irene Sumida, Executive Director, reported.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. Recommendation to approve E-Rate Consulting Renewal Proposal for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 from Learningtech.org

On **MOTION** of Jed Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda (Item III.A.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. Recommendation to ratify the Executive Director and Finance Committee’s decision to return the Paycheck Protection Program SBA Loan

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to ratify the Executive Director and Finance Committee’s decision to return the Paycheck Protection Program SBA Loan (Item IV.A.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

B. Recommendation to approve Resolution #42: Authorization to Apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance under California Disaster Declaration DR-4482

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve Resolution #42: Authorization to Apply for Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance under California Disaster Declaration DR-4482 (Item IV.B.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

C. Recommendation to approve expenditure for item above spending authority of Executive Director

On **MOTION** of Jed Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve expenditure for item above spending authority of the Executive Director (Item IV.C.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

D. Recommendation to approve 2020-2021 Kaiser Permanente and Health Net plans for medical benefits for benefited employees for the 2020-2021 school year, and development of plan for employee contributions to medical insurance beginning in 2021-2022

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve 2020-2021 Kaiser Permanente and Health Net plans for medical benefits for benefited employees for the 2020-2021 school year, and the development of a plan for employee contributions to medical insurance beginning in 2021-2022 (Item IV.D.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

E. Recommendation to approve Unum for life, long-term and short-term disability insurance, and approve offering a variety of voluntary insurances

On **MOTION** of Daniel Laughlin, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve Unum for life, long-term and short-term disability insurance, and approve offering a variety of voluntary insurances to employees (Item IV.E.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

F. Recommendation to approve Reduction in Force Policy

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Reduction in Force Policy and authorize the Executive Director to add the policy to the Employee Handbook prior to June 30, 2020 (Item IV.F.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

G. Recommendation to approve Ad Hoc Committee to nominate FCPS Board members for 2020-2021

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Ad Hoc Committee to nominate FCPS Board members for 2020-2021 (Item IV.G.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

H. Recommendation to receive and file LAUSD Annual Performance-Based Oversight Visit Reports for 2019-2020 School Year

On **MOTION** of Daniel Laughlin, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to receive and file LAUSD Annual Performance-Based Oversight Visit

Reports for 2019-2020 School Year (Item IV.H.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

I. Recommendation to approve notice to authorizing district, LAUSD, to reserve the right of Fenton schools to leave LAUSD SELPA

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve notice to authorizing district, LAUSD, to reserve the right of Fenton schools to leave the LAUSD SELPA (Item IV.I.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

A. Update on FCPS OPEB Trust

B. Progress on expansion of FCLA and STEM

C. Selection of Vendor to Provide Student Information Systems (SIS) software and other related support

D. Salary of Executive Director for 2020-2021 school year

These were information items only and no action was taken.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Marie Kirakossian
Secretary of the Board



Megan Stevenson
Secretary of the Board