

**APPROVED MINUTES  
FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**December 3, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools was held on Thursday, December 3, 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 4:32 p.m. by the Board Chair, Joe Lucente

**B. Roll Call** – Secretaries of the Board – Nitima Angus, Laura Holmes and Coco Salazar

**Board Members Present**

Diane Abeyta, *Parent Representative*  
Yvette King-Berg, *Community Representative*  
Joe Lucente, *Community Representative*  
Jed Wallace, *Community Representative*  
Walter Wallace, *Community Representative*

**Board Members Not Present**

Daniel Laughlin, *Parent Representative*

**C. Approval of the Agenda** – Chair Lucente

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

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**D. Approval of Minutes**

**Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting** – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the minutes of the October 22, 2020 Regular Meeting (Item I.E.) were approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

## **II. COMMUNICATIONS**

### **A. Presentations from the Public – Chair Lucente**

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 of the FCPS, presented the following information:

- Consolidated net income is \$1.69M, an increase from the previous forecast of \$216K. The main drivers for this change include:
  - Increase in state Special Education revenues per LAUSD SELPA rates
  - Home office received a large Form 990-T refund and ASCIP rebate
  - Received prior year revenues related to Medi-Cal billing reimbursement and state lottery in excess of accrued revenue
  - Decrease in federal Title funding per preliminary entitlements
- All schools are on track to fully spend their CARES LLM CRF funds by 12/30/2020
- Cash balances remain strong throughout the year, except for STEM and FCLA, which are currently expected to need cash assistance at the of FY21 and into FY22

### **E. 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.

**F. Chief Academic Officer’s Report**

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

**G. Executive Director’s Report**

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

**III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Recommendation to approve revised FCPS Uniform Complaint Procedures Instrument**

On **MOTION** of Jed Wallace, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda (Item III.A.) was approved.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente, Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**

**A. Recommendation to approve resubmission of Material Revisions for FACS and FPC to LAUSD with inclusion of Community Impact Assessment and Board Resolution #44 as required by new District policy related to AB 1505**

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Diane Abeyta and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the resubmission of Material Revisions for FACS and FPC to LAUSD with inclusion of Community Impact Assessment and Board Resolution #44 as required by the new District policy related to AB 1505 (Item IV.B.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente, Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**B. Recommendation to approve LAUSD Certification of Board Compliance Review**

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 LAUSD Certification of Board Compliance Review (Item IV.B.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**C. Recommendation to approve the First Interim Report**

On **MOTION** of Jed Wallace, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the First Interim Report (Item IV.C.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**D. Recommendation to approve the Budget Overview for Parents**

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Budget Overview for Parents (Item IV.D.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**E. Recommendation to approve appointment of Juan Alvarez to the position of Facilities Manager**

On **MOTION** of Diane Abeyta, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the appointment of Juan Alvarez to the position of Facilities Manager (Item IV.E.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**F. Recommendation to approve addition of “Facilities Specialist” title/position to salary schedule**

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Diane Abeyta and **CARRIED** by a vote of 5 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to

approve the addition of the “Facilities Specialist” title/position to the salary schedule (Item IV.F.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (5) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace, Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

**G. Recommendation to approve hiring of additional Maintenance and Operations Worker**

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Jed Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the hiring of an additional Maintenance and Operations Worker (Item IV.G.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Diane Abeyta, Yvette King-Berg, Joe Lucente,  
Jed Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

*Walter Wallace had to leave the meeting and did not vote on this item.*

**V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION**

**A. Brown Act Training – presentation by Janelle Ruley (Young, Minney and Corr LLP)**

**B. Update on FCPS OPEB Trust**

**C. Progress on expansion of FCLA and STEM**

**D. Strategies for Balancing Budgets in Future Years**

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, January 28, 2021 at 4:30 pm via Zoom meeting.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Nitima Angus  
Secretary of the Board

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Laura Holmes  
Secretary of the Board

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Coco Salazar  
Secretary of the Board