

APPROVED MINUTES
FENTON CHARTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 23, 2022

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fenton Charter Public Schools was held on Thursday, June 23, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87479668758>).

(This meeting was rescheduled from the original date of June 16, 2022 due to lack of quorum.)

I. PRELIMINARY

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

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by the Board Chair, Joe Lucente.

B. Roll Call – Secretary of the Board – Irene Sumida

Board Members Present

Yvette King-Berg, *Community Representative*

Daniel Laughlin, *Parent Representative*

Joe Lucente, *Community Representative*

Walter Wallace, *Community Representative*

Board Members Not Present

Jed Wallace, *Community Representative*

C. Approval of the Agenda – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the Agenda (Item I.C.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace

Nay: (0)

Abstentions: (0)

D. Approval of Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting – Chair Lucente

On **MOTION** of Daniel Laughlin, **SECONDED** by Yvette King-Berg and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the minutes of the May 19, 2022 Regular Meeting (Item I.D.) were approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
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**

Erik Okazaki, Associate Client Manager and colleague to Kristin Dietz, Vice President of EdTec, and Financial Business Manager of the FCPS, presented the following information:

Updates on FY22 financials:

- Consolidated operating income is \$403K, an increase of \$1K from the previous update. The main drivers for this change include:
 - o Technology-related unpurchased equipment and/or project delays (\$361K consolidated decrease in expense)
 - o Higher repairs/maintenance costs than originally budgeted (\$77K consolidated increase in expense)
 - o Additional instructional materials/supplies (\$33K consolidated increase in expense)
 - o Shifting ESSER III funds to rebalance budgets (\$137K consolidated decrease in revenue)

FY23 proposed budgets with all sites showing positive operating income:

- Consolidated budgeted operating income for 2022-2023 is \$790K
- These budgets do not include any of the one-time discretionary funds from the Governor’s May Revision (approximately \$1,375 per FY22 ADA)

D. **Cathay Wealth Management - Investor’s Annual Performance Presentation**

John Coury, First Vice President and Financial Advisor at Cathay Bank and Cathay Wealth Management, presented his annual report on the state of the OPEB Trust Account and the FCPS Investment Account.

E. **Directors’ Reports**

Fenton Avenue Charter School (FACS) – Ms. Monica Castañeda, Director, reported.

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

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

Fenton STEM Academy (STEM) – Mrs. Cecilia Quijano, Assistant Director, reported.

Fenton Charter Leadership Academy (FCLA) – Mrs. Cecilia Quijano, Assistant Director, reported.

F. Chief Operating Officer’s Report

Fenton Charter Public Schools (FCPS) – Mr. Jason Gonzalez’s Chief Operating Officer’s report was received by the Board as written and submitted with the agenda.

G. Chief Executive Officer’s Report

Fenton Charter Public Schools (FCPS) – Dr. David Riddick’s Chief Executive Officer’s report was received by the Board as written and submitted with the agenda.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Recommendation to approve 2022-2023 Homeless Education Policies for FACS, FPC, SMBCCS, FCLA and STEM**
- B. Recommendation to approve 2nd Extension for Food Service Management Contract with *School Nutrition Plus***
- C. Recommendation to approve E-Rate Consulting Renewal Proposal for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 from *Learningtech.org***
- D. Recommendation to approve *Delta Dental* and *VSP* plans for benefited employees**
- E. Recommendation to approve continued remote viewing option via tele/video conferencing meetings for the Fenton Charter Public Schools Board of Directors and for all Brown Act Committees Under AB 361 and Executive Order N-15-21**
- F. Recommendation to renew accounting services with *EdTec, Inc.***

- G. **Recommendation to approve continued membership in *CharterSAFE* for Workers' Compensation Insurance and membership in the *Alliance of Schools for Cooperative Insurance Programs (ASCIP)* for Property and Liability Insurance**
- H. **Recommendation to approve hiring of Payroll Specialist**
- I. **Recommendation to approve contracts totaling \$20,000 or more annually**
- J. **Recommendation to ratify conference attendance in 2021-2022 and approve conference attendance for selected FCPS staff during the 2022-2023 school year**
- K. **Recommendation to approve revision to Transitional Kindergarten Enrollment Plan**
- L. **Recommendation to approve revised FCPS Employee Handbook**
- M. **Recommendation to approve FCPS Board of Directors for 2022-2023**

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Consent Agenda (Items III.A., B., C., D., E., F., G., H., I., J., K., L., and M.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

- A. **Recommendation to approve Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAPs) for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy**

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Local Control and Accountability Plans (LCAPs) for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy for the 2022-2023 school year (Item IV.A.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

B. Recommendation to approve Local Indicators for the California School Dashboard for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Local Indicators for the California School Dashboard for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy (Item IV.B.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

C. Recommendation to approve 2022-2023 budgets for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy

On **MOTION** of Daniel Laughlin, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the budgets for Fenton Avenue Charter School, Santa Monica Boulevard Community Charter School, Fenton Primary Center, Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy for the 2022-2023 school year (Item IV.C.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

D. Recommendation to rescind Student Vaccine Mandate for FCPS schools

On **MOTION** of Daniel Laughlin, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to

rescind the Student Vaccine Mandate for the Fenton schools (Item IV.D.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

E. Recommendation to approve Education Protection Act spending plans and resolutions for 2022-2023 school year

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Education Protection Act spending resolutions for 2022-2023 school year (Item IV.E.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

F. Recommendation to approve 2022-2023 technology upgrades and software licenses

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 technology upgrades and software licenses (Item IV.F.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

G. Recommendation to approve facility upgrades at selected Fenton schools

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve facility upgrades at selected Fenton schools (Item IV.G.) was approved as presented. *Specific upgrades and costs approved:*

- **FCLA-STEM Playground Expansion:** \$888,917.54
- **FACS Asphalt Playground Repair:** \$85,000
- **FACS Walk-in Freezer:** \$76,000

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

H. Recommendation to approve Pre-Kindergarten Planning and Implementation Grant

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the Pre-Kindergarten Planning and Implementation Grant (Item IV.H.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

I. Recommendation to approve 2022-2023 staff rosters, stipends for specific positions, recommendations for regular status, and FCPS employee contracts

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Walter Wallace and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 staff rosters, stipends for specific positions, recommendations for regular status, and FCPS employee contracts (Item IV.I.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

J. Recommendation to approve 2022-2023 salary schedules for all staff

On **MOTION** of Yvette King-Berg, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve the 2022-2023 salary schedules for all staff (Item IV.J.) was approved as presented.

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

K. Recommendation to approve expenditures for items above spending authority of Chief Executive Officer

On **MOTION** of Walter Wallace, **SECONDED** by Daniel Laughlin and **CARRIED** by a vote of 4 (YES) and 0 (NO), the recommendation to approve expenditures above the spending authority of the Chief Executive Officer (Item IV.K.) was approved as presented. *Specific expenditures approved:*

- **Camfil** – Replacement filters for 67 Camfil air purifiers across the Fenton schools: \$35,598.44 (*Fenton Charter Public Schools*)
- **Think Together Summer Learning Program** – STEM and FCLA will contract with Think Together to provide summer learning program services: \$73,248 (*Fenton STEM Academy and Fenton Charter Leadership Academy*)
- **Confidence Consulting** – Jeff Bills from Confidence Consulting will provide Fenton administrators with leadership training on June 19, and July 25-27, 2022: \$42,750 (*Fenton Charter Public Schools*)

Aye: (4) Yvette King-Berg, Daniel Laughlin, Joe Lucente,
Walter Wallace
Nay: (0)
Abstentions: (0)

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION

- A. Update on OPEB Trust**
- B. FCPS Staffing Norms**
- C. FCPS Board of Directors’ Meetings for 2022-2023**

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, July 21, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Irene Sumida

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Secretary of the Board