

**SAN JOSE CHARTER ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AGENDA**

REGULAR MEETING

HELD AT 2021 W. ALWOOD ST., WEST COVINA, CA 91790

April 1, 2025

5:00 p.m. with closed session starting at 4:00 p.m.

Regular Session

I. CALL TO ORDER: ___ 4:03 _____ p.m.

II. OPEN SESSION

- a. Flag Salute
- b. Roll Call

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SJCA Board Chairman	Nicole Valdovinos	x
SJCA Vice Chairman	Jeff Coronado	Ab
SJCA Board Secretary	Tony Song	x
SJCA Board Member	Dave Wallach	x
SJCA Board Member	Matt Smith	x
SJCA Board Member	Monica Farias	x
Superintendent-Principal	Erin Shiroma	x

III. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

IV. CLOSED SESSION OPENS: 4:05 p.m.

1. Compensation/benefits - CA Education Code 54957.6

CLOSED SESSION ENDED at 4:39 p.m.

OPEN SESSION REOPENED at 5:04 p.m.

V. ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

During closed session the Board of Directors approved an updated SJCA Employee retirement benefit plan.

VI. PRESENTATIONS

1. Administration recognized SJCA's Special Education Support Personnel.

VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Items or activities individual Board Directors may wish to report on since their last meeting. This may include school events, visits, community events, etc.

Mr. Wallach was very happy to see that we had recognized the important work done by our special education team.

Mr. Song echoed Mr. Wallach's remark. He commented that we have a great staff.

Mrs. Valdovinos likes the fact that the board is given the opportunity to hear from staff and learn about new programs.

VIII. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR/PUBLIC COMMENT

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A. ORGANIZATIONAL

1. Approval of Agenda and Consent items

Moved by Mr Wallach

Seconded by Mr. Smith

To approve the agenda and consent items for the regular meeting of April 1, 2025.

Ayes 5

Noes 0

Abstain 0

☒_x_ Valdovinos

☐_ Coronado

☒_x_ Song

☒_x_ Wallach

☒_x_ Smith

☒_x_ Farias

Consent

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve the agenda and consent items for the regular meeting of March 6, 2025

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐_ Valdovinos

☐_ Coronado

☐_ Song

☐_ Wallach

☐_ Smith

☐_ Farias

B. EDUCATION

3. Report of Information: Neurodiversity at SJCA

The Special Education team presented an overview of Neurodiversity at SJCA.

4. Report of Information: Facilities Project Update

Administration provided an update on SJCA's current facilities project.

5. Discovery Science Adoption

Moved by Mr. Smith

Seconded by Mr. Song

To approve the adoption of the Discovery Science adoption.

Ayes 5

Noes 0

Abstain 0

☒_x_ Valdovinos

☐_ Coronado

☒_x_ Song

☒_x_ Wallach

☒_x_ Smith

☐_x_ Farias

C. BUSINESS

Consent

6. Purchase Orders

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve/ratify listed purchase orders.

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐_ Valdovinos

☐_ Coronado

☐_ Song

☐_ Wallach

☐_ Smith

☐_ Farias

Consent

7. Warrants

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve/ratify listed warrants.

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☐ Song ☐ Wallach ☐ Smith ☐ Farias

Consent

8. Donations

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve/ratify listed donations.

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☐ Song ☐ Wallach ☐ Smith ☐ Farias

9. Contracts

Moved by Mr. Smith

Seconded by Mr. Wallach

To approve/ratify presented contracts.

Ayes 5

Noes 0

Abstain 0

☒ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☒ Song ☒ Wallach ☒ Smith ☒ Farias

Consent

10. eRATE

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve the eRATE information as presented

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☐ Song ☐ Wallach ☐ Smith ☐ Farias

D. PERSONNEL

Consent

11. Personnel

Moved by

Seconded by

To approve/ratify the Personnel Report.

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☐ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☐ Song ☐ Wallach ☐ Smith ☐ Farias

12. Chief Technology Officer Job Description

Moved by Mr. Wallach

Seconded by Mr. Song

To approve the Chief Technology Officer Job Description

Ayes

Noes

Abstain

☒ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☒ Song ☒ Wallach ☒ Smith ☒ Farias

12. Director of Special Education Job Description

Moved by Mr. Smith

Seconded by Mr. Wallach

To approve the Director of Special Education Job Description with the updating of the title on the job description.

Ayes

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Noes

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Abstain

0

☒ Valdovinos ☐ Coronado ☒ Song ☒ Wallach ☒ Smith ☒ Farias

IX. INFORMATION SESSION

1.Board of Directors' discussion

Mr. Smith stated that seeing the special education department was great. It was nice to see the person with the position. Thanks for bringing the staff before the Board.

Mr. Wallach reiterated how blown away he was with the special education staff and their presentation. He is also hopeful that WCUSD will not drag their feet regarding our new facilities project.

Mrs. Valdovinos is on campus a lot and enjoys seeing the special education staff and the work they do . She thanked the administration for bringing them in and recognizing them.

Mrs. Shiroma wanted to highlight the generous donation of the SJCA PTO for the approximately \$50,000 put towards the water hydration project. This project started in 2017 and is finally completed.

Mrs. Shiroma also reported out about attending the Legislative Breakfast with Monica Farias. While there, she extended an invite to Blanca Rubio to visit SJCA.

2.Dates to remember and other updates:

DATE	EVENT
April 2nd	Kinder Field trip - LA Zoo
April 7th	State Testing begins
April 14th	6:00 PTO Meeting
April 16th	8:00 Rising Up Session #7
April 18th	2nd Grade Field trip
April 20th	Easter Sunday
April 21st	No School - Monday following Easter
April 24th	1:30 Volunteer Celebration
April 25th	12:45 Early Dismissal
May 6th	Next Board of Directors' meeting Staff Appreciation Week
May 15th	Carnival 1:00-6:00
June 4th	5:00 8th Grade Promotion

X. There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the regular meeting of April 1, 2025 is adjourned at 7:23 p.m. by Chairwoman, Nicole Valdovinos.