Discovery Charter School

1100 Camino Biscay
Chula Vista, CA 91910

Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 18, 2025
5:30pm

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order at 5:32pm

B. Roll Call
Members Present: Rochelle Carroll, Sara Roa, Morgan Appel, Tara Zaragoza, Harry Sevel

Members Absent:

Others Present: Neil MacGaffey, Erika Alamo, Rubi Palomares

C. Pledge of Allegiance led by Khloe Powell

D. Drama Club Presentation

- Students from this year's Drama club presented and spoke to the Board about their experience working on Lion King Jr. They talked about the process and experience working as part of the cast and crew and all the details and preparations they worked on to help make the production a success. They sang snippets of the music from the production and spoke about what it took to practice the pronunciation of the lyrics in the different languages used in the songs. Students from the crew also spoke about the technical aspects worked on for the production. The Board congratulated the students for their incredible job.

II. Approve Agenda (Action)

Motion: Appel *Second: Sevel* *Vote: MCSU*

III. Approve Minutes from the January 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting (Action)

Motion: Sevel *Second: Roa* *Vote: MCSU*

IV. Public Comment: Persons wishing to address the Board of Directors on any item on the agenda or non-agenda items should do so during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. No action or discussion shall be undertaken by the Board of Directors on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than five (5) minutes.

A. Public Comment – Items on the Agenda - None

B. Public Comment – Items not on the Agenda – None

V. Executive Director's Report (Information/Report)

- Mr. MacGaffey briefly mentioned and summarized the items on our consent agenda.
- He mentioned that Discovery has started our ELPAC testing for K-2 grades. The rest of the grades will start the first week of March.
- Teachers have also begun their peer observations which is part of their professional learning cycle, that is focused on student discourse. This will be very beneficial for the teachers.
- Mr. MacGaffey reported about our recent PTC fun run. Students had a great time, and he expressed how Discovery is so fortunate with how generous our parents and community members have been, helping our school raise money.
- He reported about Discovery's recent theatre production event of Lion King Jr. Discovery had many attendees from our District show up and we appreciate their support, including Ms. Lydia Depietri-Marquez, from the Communication's Department, who came to take photographs of the event.
- Our counselor, Mrs. Orozco, had a successful internet safety presentation for our families. We will be asking her to schedule a presentation for our upper grade students.
- We had a very well attended middle school information night which was a success.
- Mr. MacGaffey highlighted a few of our amazing staff. He spoke about Mrs. Rosie Ulloa, our ELL Coordinator, Mrs. Luciana Johnson, our Behavior IA, and our Counselor Mrs. Andrea Orozco.
- Mr. MacGaffey also highlighted Mrs. Jaime Peterson, our Resource Teacher, and Mrs. Graciela Moreno, and Mrs. Shelee Petka our RTI support staff. He spoke about the wonderful job that each of them does at Discovery and the positive differences they make with our students.

VI. Approve Consent Calendar (Action)

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Board to be one action. There will be no discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

A. Increase 2024-25 Independent Contractor Agreement with Sprockids from $16,000 to $23,100. (Action)

Services: Sprockids' 2024-2025 Independent Contractor Agreement for $16,000 currently provides after-school trail bike riding classes during the instructional year. Requested increase of $7,100 is to add classes during the Summer 2024-2025 ELOP Intersession.
Total Increase Requested: $7,100
Funding Source: Extended Learning Opportunity Program Grant Funds

Motion: Sevel *Second: Appel* *Vote: MCSU*

B. Approve Registration for Two Teachers for the UCSD Extended Studies Dual Language Immersion Online Program Winter Cohort (Action)

Registration Fee: $4,330 (not to exceed $4,500)
Funding Source: Educator Effectiveness Funds Grant

Motion: Zaragoza *Second: Roa* *Abstain: Appel* *Vote: MCSU*

VII. Board Announcements

- Mr. Sevel mentioned what a treat it was to have the drama production present tonight and thanked Mr. MacGaffey for his presentation.
- Mrs. Zaragoza thanked all the staff that had a part in Lion King Jr. She thanked them for all they did and the positive differences they made with the students. She was happy to hear about the internet safety presentation and was happy to hear that it will be presented to our students as well.
- Dr. Appel expressed how awestruck he was with tonight's presentation form the students and expressed the quality of skills they earn through this experience is absolutely crucial for their future. He congratulated everyone involved.
- Mrs. Roa reiterated all the sentiments about the drama production. She thanked everyone involved that was not mentioned and congratulated everyone involved. She appreciated the ELPAC testing, the afterschool tutoring and the peer observations happening at Discovery.

- President Carroll thanked everyone for their hard work and amazing job and for giving our students such incredible experiences.

VIII. Adjournment (Action)

- A motion was made by President Carroll to adjourn the meeting at 6:13pm.

Motion: Sevel *Second: Roa* *Vote: MCSU*

The next regular meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 5:30pm.

Rochelle Carroll, Board President

Neil MacGaffey, Secretary to the Board