

Discovery Charter School

**1100 Camino Biscay
Chula Vista, CA 91910**

Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, January 12, 2023
5:30pm
Regular Meeting

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order at 5:31pm

B. Roll Call

Members Present: Rochelle Carroll, Terry McKearney, Tara Zaragoza, Morgan Appel

Members Absent: Sarah Pauter

Others Present: Neil MacGaffey, Erika Alamo

C. Pledge of Allegiance led by student, Xavier Robinson

D. Grade Level Presentation: 1st Grade

First grade teachers introduced their students Caleb Tapia, Winton Sevel, Ganessa Galarreta, Charlee Crawley and Xavier Robinson, who presented what they have been learning this quarter in class. They also sang the Oak Tree Song and discussed their favorite part of learning.

II. Approve Agenda (Action)

Motion: Appel

Second: McKearney

Vote: MCSU

III. Approve Minutes from December 8th Regular Board Meeting (Action)

Motion: Appel

Second: Zaragoza

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. Closed Session – President Carroll recessed to Closed Session at 5:45pm in accordance with the following:

A. Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency Designated Representative: Neil MacGaffey

Employee Organization: DCTU

VI. Reconvene to Open Session – Discovery Charter School Auditorium, President Carroll reconvened to Open Session at 6:05pm.

• **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

President Carroll reported there is nothing to report, no action was taken.

VII. Principal’s Report (Information/Report)

- Principal MacGaffey reported that this week we received the chronic absent report and was happy to report that Discovery is at 1% chronic absenteeism and are ranked #1 in the district.
- Mr. MacGaffey reported on the new staffing at Discovery and announced the hiring of a new nurse, an Instructional Assistant – Behavior Specialist, and a new 6th Grade Teacher.
- The Middle School Robotics Team competed at state recently and did really well in their competition.
- Discovery’s enrollment continues to grow as our average daily attendance jumped from 890 in school year 21-22 to 917 in 22-23.
- Mr. MacGaffey announced the departure of our MTSS Coordinator, Melissa Moreno. She has recently accepted a new position within the district as a Special Education Coordinator. Mr. MacGaffey thanked her for her contributions to Discovery.
- Mr. MacGaffey also recognized 5th Grade Teacher, Scot de Pedro, for recently illustrating a children’s book and donating a copy to our Library for our students.

VIII. First Interim Budget Report (Information/Report)

- Mr. MacGaffey presented Discovery’s 1st Interim Report from December and summarized the current unrestricted revenue and expense report. He happily reported that Discovery has a current 11.1% reserve, with 4% of that being a minimum reserve.

IX. Final Board Approval/Ratification of 2022-2023 Agreement for Negotiations between DCS and DCTU (Action)

- DCS Board motioned to approve a 4% on schedule and 3% off schedule salary increase for all certificated employees, effective July 1, 2022.

Motion: Appel Second: Zaragoza Vote: MCSU

X. Align Salary Increase for Discovery Charter Administration Effective July 1, 2022 (Action)

- DCS Board motioned to approve a 4% on schedule and 3% off schedule salary increase for Discovery Charter School Administration, effective July 1, 2022.

Motion: McKearney Second: Appel Vote: MCSU

XI. Approve Salary Increase for All DCS Charter Classified Staff Effective July 1, 2022 (Action)

- DCS Board motioned to approve a 1% on schedule and 3% off schedule salary increase for classified employees, effective July 1, 2022. (*Classified staff received a 3% on salary schedule increase last year*).

Motion: Appel Second: Zaragoza Vote: MCSU

XII. Board Announcements

- Mrs. Zaragoza expressed her gratitude for the teachers congratulated Discovery on their continued efforts on attendance.

- Dr. Appel congratulated everyone on the spirit and comradery between the teacher's union and administration. He expressed his gratitude for everyone's dedication to the school.
- Mr. McKearney echoed the Board members sentiments and congratulated both sides on a successful negotiation.
- President Carroll expressed her appreciation to all staff and noted how deserving teachers are of their compensation and more.

XIII. Adjournment: 6:29pm

(Action)

Motion: McKearney

Second: Appel

Vote: MCSU

The next regular meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be on Thursday February 7, 2023, at 5:30pm

Rochelle Carroll, Board President

Neil MacGaffey, Secretary to the Board