

**Yuba River Charter School
Nevada City, California
THE CHARTER COUNCIL**

MINUTES

Special Meeting of January 27, 2010

**YRCS Development Center: 4:00 pm
(former preschool, downstairs)**

Yuba River Charter School is a community focused on the development of our children. The primary responsibility for the governance of the affairs of the school falls upon the Charter Council, composed of teachers, staff, parents and community member(s). Regular meetings of the Charter Council are held the second Wednesday of each month. The Charter Council invites input from all constituencies of the school. For more information regarding the functioning of the Charter Council, see the Charter Council By Laws and applicable policies.

1. Call to Order (4:05 pm)

Present: Caleb Buckley, Susan Egan, Doris Rainville, Allison Gjertsen, Leila Barber, Doris Dunning, Matthew Reischman, Torrie Mudd

Ed Foundation: Melissa Seibold, James Robinson

Parent Visitor: Kirk Valentine

2. Public Comment (4:00 - 4:10pm)

Present: Mariana Nielsen

Parent comment on Deanna Ronningen's temporary leave of absence - She would appreciate communication regarding personnel issues that can affect the families and students and to create a learning experience, formalize the termination process with good written records, communication, and follow-up.

This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the council on non-agendized items. Note the council cannot discuss or take action on non-agendized items at this meeting, but such items may be agendized for a later council meeting for discussion and/or action. Agendized items may either be addressed at this time or when the items come up for discussion and/or action.

3. Action Items

A) Shall the Council approve changes to the teacher reassignment policy to reflect the inclusion of classified staff? (language attached)

Motion to Approve: T. Mudd 1st, L. Barber 2nd - Approved Unanimously

B) Shall the council entertain a motion for election of officers for the Spring semester?

Motion to nominate Torrie Mudd for Charter CC Chair position effective at the February 10, 2010 meeting through the end of the 2009/10 school year.

L. Barber 1st, A. Gjertsen 2nd - Approved Unanimously

C) Shall the council appoint the Business Manager to enter into a rental lease as landlord of house on Old Dairy Place?

\$1,200 - \$1,350 as possible rent. \$400 for agent to manage finding tenants for the Old Dairy house.

Motion to approve Susan Egan to enter into rental lease as landlord of Old Dairy Place. D. Dunning 1st, D. Rainville 2nd - Approved Unanimously

4. Closed Session

Motion to include James Robinson in session B of closed session - D. Dunning 1st, L. Barber 2nd - Approved Unanimously

In accordance with the CA Brown Act, the council shall convene in closed session for the purposes of discussing employee hires and real estate negotiations.

A) Shall the council approve the hire of a Sweet Pea Kindergarten teacher?

B) Shall the council prepare a new addendum to the escrow of property on Rough and Ready Hwy?

C) Shall the council appoint a substitute classified employee up to the end of current school year?

D) Shall the council approve a mentoring contract?

5. The council reconvenes in open session for Reports

Report out of closed session:

A. Motion to approve Suzanne Scirpo as Sweet Pea Kindergarten teacher - L. Barber 1st, D. Dunning 2nd - Approved Unanimously

B. Motion to give Caleb Buckley authority to renegotiate the extension of the escrow on the R&R Hwy. property with no release of funds to the seller and agreeing that the property can be re-listed for sale on the market. - D. Dunning 1st, A. Gjertsen 2nd - Approved Unanimously

C. Motion to appoint Anna Rainville as substitute attendance and enrollment clerk and Janna Delhez for substitute enrollment clerk through the end of the 2009/10 school year - T. Mudd 1st, L. Barber 2nd - Approved Unanimously

D. Motion to approve a mentoring contract for Patricia Montijo through the end of the 2009/10 school year - L. Barber 1st, D. Dunning 2nd - Approved Unanimously

Director (to include preparation for the community meeting on Feb 1.), Business Manager, Ed Foundation, Parent Council, Faculty, CC Chair

Directors Report - Caleb Buckley - Overviewed Upcoming Community Meeting Agenda

Business Manager - Susan Egan - Overviewed OPSC meeting on Monday, Stimulus Money Status, CCSA School Days Status, Attendance and Enrollment job posting

Ed Foundation - Doris Rainville - Old Dairy ribbon cutting on Friday, January 29th at 3:45pm

Parent Council - Allison Gjertsen - Nothing to Report

Faculty - Leila Barber/Doris Dunning - Overviewed 8th Grade Play, 8th Grade Fieldtrip to SF on Monday, Parent Appreciation Tea, Steiner Teacher's Conference on Sustainability, Possible parent lecture from Caleb Buckley on Sustainability

CC Chair - Doris Dunning - Overviewed CC Chair election

Next agenda - Charter Council Secretary election, Lease negotiation, School Calendar discussion

6. Call to Adjourn (6:50pm)

Respectfully Yours,

Torrie Mudd - Charter Council Secretary