



Yuba River Charter School

CHARTER COUNCIL Agenda

Meeting of March 10, 2010
Development Office, 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 (3:35pm)

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

Parent Visitors: Kirk Valentine and Mark Goehring

2. Public Comment

Mark Goehring, parent of Milo in Kindergarten, expressed sadness and concern regarding an incident that occurred between one specific student in LK and his own son, as well as numerous incidents between this same student and other students in the class. Mark is asking for expulsion for this student's behavior. His son Milo was attacked after school by this student with a shovel; fortunately the shovel missed his son's head. According to Mark, this boy needs help and he believes YRCS is unable to provide this help. He says other concerned parents are filling out Parent Concern forms.

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. Consent Agenda

The following items shall be contained in a single motion unless any member pulls an item from the list for discussion:

- a. Shall the council authorize director to enter into contract with Griffin Law Offices to draft JPA for special education?
 - b. Shall the council revise the Enrollment Policy to include the addition of Sweet Pea Coop Kindergarten program?
 - c. Shall the council revise the attendance clerk job description to remove the enrollment coordinator duties?
 - d. Shall the council approve final changes to attendance policy with revisions added from attorney?
 - e. Shall the council approve minutes of: 1-13-10 and 2-10-10?
 - f. Shall the council approve attached list of warrants, dated: July 1, 2009 thru February 28, 2010?
 - g. Shall the council approve the new Master Agreement for Independent Study, IS Contract, Student Work Assignment for IS, and IS Policy?
 - h. Shall the council approve a revision to job descriptions to include NCLB complaint education requirements? Positions include Classroom Assistant, Kindergarten Assistant, and Special Ed. Aide.?
- L. Barber 1st, D. Martinez 2nd - Approved Unanimously

3. Action Items

A. Public Hearing Notice and General Waiver Request to receive full funding for a 170 day student day calendar for 2009-2010.

D. Rainville 1st, L. Barber 2nd - Approved Unanimously

B. Shall the council approve 2nd Interim Budget Summary, Narrative and 3 year budget projection?

D. Rainville 1st, D. Martinez 2nd - Approved Unanimously

C. Shall the council support continued development for the farming collaborative at the Old Dairy Site.

Be it resolved that YRCS Charter Council expresses interest and support to establish a relationship with "New Generation Farms" for the purpose of developing a farming program at the Old Dairy place.

D. Rainville 1st, L. Barber 2nd - Approved Unanimously

D. Shall the council approve final changes to the attendance policy with revisions added from attorney?

L. Barber 1st, D. Rainville 2nd - T. Mudd requested additional revisions to include an amendment to Item 1, *Steps to initiate Independent Study Contract*, adding language regarding two weeks notice not required for illness or emergencies.

4. Discussion

A. Escrow Amendment discussion for property on Rough and Ready.

S. Egan explained recent meeting with current property owners. She presented them with information on our past efforts, current fiscal status and willingness to work with them should our current grant conditions change. We may seek to amend escrow in the near future; the current owners are very interested in selling the property to YRCS and very willing to stay in escrow.

5. Reports

Business Manager

S. Egan: Overlooked Multi Year Budget Projections, ADA growth over next few years possibly thru home study, reductions in program costs largely for classroom projects, fund balance reductions will occur over 10/11 fiscal years but past cuts will maintain projected funding balance thru fiscal year 11/12. We are becoming more fiscally independent. We will need to review teacher contracts in April, facility lease and new independent study contracts.

Ed Foundation

M. Reischman: The Foundations discussed their role and objectives, reviewed their organizational chart and have identified a need for more involvement and participation from the parent and non-parent community. They would like to target a larger population for fund raising, focusing beyond the school. They discussed the possibility for a spring auction, current fiscal status and support of the capital campaign within our fiscal means.

Director

C. Buckley: Attendance Policy-A Parent Review Committee was established in the recent attendance policy revision. The Committee will be initiating the process to meet with those parents who meet the criteria for being truant. C. Buckley explained parent concern forms and the process.

Faculty

L. Barber: New science equipment arrived; they are very excited about having the new supplies.

Parent Council

A. Gjertsen: Discussion of potential for a school store, new sports liaison and Ed foundation will be requesting a parent rep. from every class.

CC Chair

T. Mudd: Chair Report-working to provide comment to concerned parent regarding recent correspondence.

6. Closed Session

- A. Shall the council approve a contract for kindergarten assistant?**
- B. Shall the council approve contract for classified substitutes?**
- C. Shall the council review evaluation material for the school director?**

Report out of closed Session:

- A.** Approval for hiring Leslie Schwartz as Kinder Assistant, L. Barber 1st, D. Rainville 2nd - Approved Unanimously
- B.** Approval of Marianna Nielsen and Amanda Noakes to be hired as classified substitutes, LB First, DR Second
- C.** Moved to next meeting.

7. Call to Adjourn - 6:45pm

Respectfully Yours,
Matthew Reischman, CC Secretary