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Forest Ranch Charter School – Board of Directors Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 5:30 PM 15815 Cedar Creek Road, Forest Ranch, CA 95942

Minutes

- 1. Open Session Call to Order at 5:42 pm
- 2. Roll Call
 - a. Christia Marasco Director: present
 - b. Lisa Speegle consulting CBO: absent
 - c. Kala Ulep Teacher Advisor/Liaison: absent
 - d. Jody Cornilsen Chair, Parent Representative (June 2024): present
 - e. Susie Welker Vice Chair, Parent Representative (June 2025): present
 - f. Beth Wattenberg Secretary, Community Representative (June 2023): present
 - g. Robert Chaplin FRCA Liaison, Educational Representative (June 2024): on Zoom
 - h. Teresa Amoroso Treasurer, Parent Representative (June 2025): present
 - i. Tamba Sellu Parent Representative (July 2025): present
- 3. Celebrations / Recognitions: Christia shared the fact that we now have a balanced budget!!! With an excess of \$40,000. Congratulations to Teresa Amoroso for being hired as an Intervention Aide. Thanks to Robin Wilder to posting events on Facebook for the school.
- 4. Review Meeting Norms: Set time limits for agenda items; Teresa will be the timekeeper
- 5. Public Comments on Items NOT on the Current Meeting Agenda N/A
- 6. Changes / Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda: Item 8. j: no action needed, just discussion.
- 7. Consent Calendar
 - a. Consider Approval of July Meeting Minutes:
 - b. Consider Approval of Field trips: Reminder from Christia that we can retroactively approve field trips if they are not out of the county. Tamba made the motion to approve; Beth seconded it; passed unanimously.

c. Consider Approval of May/June/July Financial Reports: *Beth made the motion to approve, seconded by Tamba; passed unanimously.*

8. Discussion/Action Calendar

- a. Discuss and Approve new Visual And Performing Arts Aide and Band position: Charter Schools now need to hire Art and Music Teachers with credentials or have them work directly under a teacher if without a credential. Teresa made the motion to approve the job description; Tamba seconded it; passed unanimously.
- b. Discuss and Approve of Updated Measure K Black Top Project: Discussion: Christia said that Tank, the contractor requested \$1900 above the bid due to unexpected costs. Jody mentioned that she understood that contractors should stick by their original bids. There were extenuating circumstances, such as there were no comparable bids made for the job and due to delays it was understandable that there were additional costs. Jody was satisfied with the explanation. Teresa made the motion to approve; seconded by Jody; passed unanimously.
- c. Discuss and Consider Approval of Grass/Field Projects: Christia described the status of the fields and the challenges of getting it repaired. Tamba suggested getting ahold of the original contractors who did the job. (Christia said she could do that.) Beth made the motion to approve getting bids on repairing the field; Teresea seconded it; passed unanimously.
- d. Discuss and Consider Approval of Discretionary Funding Spending Plans: Christia explained that some of the funds can be used for operating expenses. Jody made the motion to approve, Susie seconded it; passed unanimously.
- e. Discuss and Consider Approval of potential changes to Health Benefits including providers and FRCS contribution: Christia explained that health benefits extremely complex as each employee is different and will need to be interviewed for their specific needs. Tamba recused himself; Jody made the motion to accept; Beth seconded it; passed by all others present.
- f. Discuss and Consider Approval of Consolidated Application and provision of universal services: *Since FRCS is now a Title I School there are specific requirements regarding universal services. Teresa made the motion to accept; Tamba seconded it; passed unanimously.*
- g. Discuss and Consider Approval of Homeless Students policy: *Beth made the motion to pass, Teresa seconded it; passed unanimously.*
- h. Discuss and Consider Approval of Enrollment/Staffing Middle School: *Teresa recused herself; Jody made the motion to approve; seconded by Susie; passed by all others present.*
- i. Discuss and Consider Approval of Curriculum Development Stipend: *Tamba recused himself; Jody made the motion to approve; seconded by Beth; passed by all others present.*
- j. Update and Consider Approval of modifications to Covid Related Procedures and Testing Plan: *Christia* updated the board on the challenges regarding the impact that Covid is having. Even though there have been modifications to Covid exposure and quarantine, FRCS still requires students and staff to notify when testing positive for Covid and quarantining for 5 days. All staff tests weekly.

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9. Reports and Presentations

- a. Director Report
 - i. Enrollment: Good...at 106; exceeds goal
 - ii. Student Achievement and Related Measures: *Scores improving, in middle range; have been low due to impact of Covid and absenteeism; should improve with extra aides.*
 - iii. Campus and Student Safety: Cameras in place and drills resuming.
 - iv. Human Resources: Continuing to hire; still short staffed.
 - v. Upcoming School Events: Back to School on Thursday, 9/1/22
 - vi. Professional Development: Trainings planned for staff
 - vii. Board Development and Update on Responsibility Actions: *Jody will be setting board members up with Brown Training: good for all board members.*
- b. Teacher Report
- c. Facilities Report
- d. Technology Report
- e. Transportation Report
- f. Parent Teacher Partnership Report: Committee wants to re-start Middle School Café and Maker Lab
- 10. Future Agenda Items

Safety Policies

CA Dashboard Local Indicators

11. Adjournment: 7:41 pm

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