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Forest Ranch Charter School – Board of Directors  
Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 5:30 PM  
15815 Cedar Creek Road, Forest Ranch, CA 95942  
Minutes

1. Open Session – Call to Order 5:39 pm
2. Roll Call
  - a. Christia Marasco – Director *present*
  - b. Lisa Speegle – consulting CBO
  - c. Kala Ulep – Teacher Advisor/Liaison
  - d. Jody Cornilsen – Chair, Parent Representative (June 2024) *present*
  - e. Teresa Amoroso – 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) *absent*
  - h. Susie Welker – Treasurer, Parent Representative (June 2025) *present*
  - i. Tamba Sellu – Parent Representative (June 2024) *present*
3. Celebrations / Recognitions: *Communication improved during the recent school closures due to snow.*
4. Review Meeting Norms: *Suggested time limits on agenda items.*
5. Public Comments on Items NOT on the Current Meeting Agenda *n/a*
6. Changes / Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda: *Discussion of field trips tabled.*
7. Consent Calendar: *Motion made by Beth and seconded by Jody to approve the Consent Calendar. Passed unanimously.*
  - a. Consider Approval of February Financials
  - b. Consider Approval of February Meeting Minutes
  - c. Consider Approval of Upcoming Field Trips
  - d. Consider Approval of Updated Student Policies
8. Discussion/Action Calendar
  - a. Consider Approval of Schedule and Calendar for 22-23 School Year: *Discussion re: Friday since school is over the minutes required so able to offer electives on Friday afternoon after 1:20 pm. Jody presented the calendar. Jody made the motion to approve; seconded by Teresa; passed unanimously.*
  - b. Discussion and Consider Approval of Summer Learning Options: *Begins in July and 2 weeks in August. The other 2 weeks will be later in the year as the ELOP requires the equivalent of 9 hours per day for 6 weeks. Discussion only.*
  - c. Consider Approval and Form Evaluation Committee for School Director Review: *Jody, Tamba and Beth will form the committee. Jody made the motion to approve; seconded by Teresa; passed unanimously.*

- d. Consider Approval of Applying for Employee Retention Tax Credit *After the discussion identifying the need for more information which Christia will obtain, it was decided to table the item until the next meeting.*

## 9. Reports and Presentations

### a. Director Report

- i. Enrollment: 107
- ii. Student Achievement and Related Measures: *Improvement in scores; but slow progress; teachers working extremely hard. Six days of lost enrollment due to snow has an impact on learning. Christia will apply for 'forgiveness' of days; but hard to know what the state will rule and when.*
- iii. Campus and Student Safety: *Challenges with Waste Management: they complained about the amount of waste, yet it was due to the fact that they were not able to do pick-ups due to the weather. Christia needs to have a contact person in CHP and Cal Trans as there was miscommunication regarding who was allowed to come up Hwy 32 during the storm. Suggestion made was to contact the press if Cal Trans and CHP not responsive.*
- iv. Human Resources
- v. Upcoming School Event: *Shady Creek was taken over by new staff; expected Christia to oversee all the schools who were attending the field trip at the same time. She will be present during the whole week and Amy and Stephanie will be the 'go-to' people at the school.*
- vi. Professional Development: *Coming up.*
- vii. Board Development and Update on Responsibility Actions

### b. Teacher Report *attached*

- c. Facilities Report
- d. Technology Report
- e. Transportation Report
- f. Parent Teacher Partnership Report

## 10. Future Agenda Items

Consolidated Application

SRSA Grant Application

Curriculum and Instruction Policies

Measure K Items

## 11. Adjournment 7:27 pm

*Submitted by Beth Wattenberg, Secretary*

Palmarini-Kindergarteners are plugging away on assessments that weren't completed before break because of the snow days. We've had fun building leprechaun traps and nearly caught the mischievous leprechaun who left behind foot and hand prints. Students wrote a letter to him to have him return our gold or leave us a treat. We shall see what he chooses to do.

Mrs. Stearns's 1st and 2nd grade have been working on social studies biography reports/projects. We'll have our culminating activity this Thursday with our "Living Wax Museum " where they'll present their research for fellow students, staff, family, friends, and community members. Then we'll start on our unit of economics continuing into April.

Ulep's-In Ulep's class we are finishing our book club books. In 3rd grade math we are wrapping up multiplication and division before we dive into properties and equations. For 3rd and 4th grade science and history we are finishing up our living things unit and we will be starting our pioneers unit and getting ready for our pioneer field trip in April.

Sellu-We are wrapping up our book clubs. In math we are persevering and climbing mountains to try to understand fraction concepts. Fifth graders have been learning about matter and really enjoyed doing some food science to learn about conservation of matter. We are most excited to be going to Shady Creek next week and are very grateful to Ms. Ulep and Ms. Christine who will be helping the fourth graders while I'm gone.

DJ-Kids are happy to be back in school after break! They are chatty and EVERYONE is here!!!! Love it. Camp is coming up next week. We are attending Shady Creek Environmental Camp Tuesday through Friday. We are working hard to end the year with all subjects, and standards taught to mastery before the end of the school year, adjusting pacing and asking students to work hard, including some homework. Science Fair projects will begin after camp for our in house Science Fair! We will also be starting researching and writing biographies in ELA.

**Teacher report submitted by Kala Ulep**