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Forest Ranch Charter School – Board of Directors
Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 5:30 PM
15815 Cedar Creek Road, Forest Ranch, CA 95942
Meeting Minutes

1. Open Session – Call to Order

2. Roll Call
   a. Christia Marasco – Director: present
   b. Lisa Speegle – consulting CBO: absent
   c. Kala Ulep – Teacher Advisor/Liaison: absent (sent notes)
   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) Zoom
   h. Susie Welker – Treasurer, Parent Representative (June 2025) present
   i. Tamba Sellu – Parent Representative (July 2025) present

3. Celebrations / Recognitions: Still have 106 students enrolled; Robin Wilder doing a great job of posting updates to Facebook and Instagram; Carey Cooper will be helping soon.

4. Review Meeting Norms: Reminder from Jody that folks should not hit “reply all” to the FRCS Board emails; will continue with assigning projected times to agenda items; Teresa will time keep.

5. Public Comments on Items NOT on the Current Meeting Agenda: N/A

6. Changes / Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda: None

7. Consent Calendar
   a. Consider Approval of August Meeting Minutes: tabled until October; need to correct July minutes.
   b. Consider Approval of Field Trips: Christia wanted approval of Pumpkin Patch field trip; tentative dates from teachers, will firm up later. Beth made the motion to approve the field trips, Teresa seconded it; passed unanimously.
   c. Consider Approval of August Financials: Short discussion followed by motion to approve by Jody; seconded by Susie; passed unanimously.
   d. Consider Approval of Unaudited Actuals: Teresa made the motion to pass; seconded by Tamba; passed unanimously.

8. Discussion/Action Calendar
   a. Discuss and Approve Measure K Projects including new freezer and quotes for MPR improvements: Discussion about the freezer, debating getting it fixed vs buying a new one. Hobarts has been a reliable source; may buy back. Board agreed probably be best to order a new one; Christia is pursuing have the floor replaced during Thanksgiving break. Teresa made the motion to approve the 2 projects; seconded by Tamba; passed unanimously.

   b. Discuss and Consider Approval of potential changes to FRCS contribution to employees Health Care Benefits: After discussing several options to providing benefits to the employees a motion

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was made by Teresa to fully pay for the desired medical plans chosen by the employees until 
January (when the plans change); seconded by Susie; Tamba abstained; all others voted to 
approve.
c. Discuss and Consider Approval of minor correction to Employee Handbook (hours for benefits) 
A correction was made regarding number of hours needed to work to earn benefits. Robert made the 
motion to make the correction; seconded by Susie; passed unanimously.
d. Discuss and Consider Approval of Comprehensive School Safety Plan: Christia explained that the 
due dates changed for the School Safety Plan, so a motion to submit last year’s 2021-2022 plan would 
be submitted, modifying the date and updating the names was made by Beth; seconded by Teresa and 
passed unanimously. Christia will bring the plan to the board in March.
e. Discuss and Consider Approval of Sock Hop Event and Fundraiser: Discussion about how all 
families could be included; suggestion to contact the Lions, & the FR Women’s Club and posting on 
Facebook. Beth made the motion to approve; Jody seconded it; passed unanimously.
f. Update and Discuss modifications to Covid procedures: Testing no longer required for non-
immunized staff: Motion to approve by Teresa; seconded by Tamba; passed unanimously.
g. Discuss and Approve Application for Butte Strong Grant: Christia presented her proposal for 
applying for the grant: “I am proposing we put in for $5000 - $7000 to cover the costs of restocking 
consumable materials and Tech supplies for our Maker Space as well as providing extra staffing for 
afterschool programming so that all interested students can attend for free.” The motion was 
made by Beth to approve the application up to $10,000; seconded by Jody; passed unanimously.

9. Reports and Presentations: None
   a. Director Report
      i. Enrollment: At 106; lost 2; gained 2
      ii. Student Achievement and Related Measures: Working toward improving scores
      iii. Campus and Student Safety: Just had a Safety Meeting; looking to set up a work day.
      iv. Human Resources: Staff working well together
      v. Upcoming School Events: Sock Hop and Woodstock Pizza Fundraiser
      vi. Professional Development: Christia working with teachers on individual plans
      vii. Board Development and Update on Responsibility Actions: Jody sent a link to the 
          Brown Act training; district will be offering one as well.
   b. Teacher Report: See attached notes
   c. Facilities Report
   d. Technology Report
   e. Transportation Report: Still need to recruit bus driver for next year
   f. Parent Teacher Partnership Report: Maker Space will be offered 3:00 to 4:30

10. Future Agenda Items
    Safety Policies
    July & August
    minutes

11. Adjournment: 7:34 pm
Teacher Report from Ms. Ulep

Middle School:

This is from my website and some info is old.  
The big hit last week was Taran on stage at Dr. Kaboom, and the 7/8 building roller coasters in Science, while the 6th grade finished their rockets in Science. :)

Lisa 4th/5th:

We have a beautiful art project with mountains and watercolored skies that relates to our Climb Time theme.  We are wrapping up our place value chapters in Math.  4th graders are starting addition and subtraction and fifth is starting multiplication.  We’re wrapping up fifth grade geography with landforms and bodies of water concentration game.  We’re in full swing with our book Wonder, focusing on comprehension and vocabulary.  We had fun at Dr. Kaboom’s field trip and are very excited about our climbing field trip this Thursday in Chico with our buddies!

Kala 3rd/4th

We just wrapped up our Land of California unit where we made salt dough maps. This week we transitioned into our Electricity and Magnetism Science unit. Last week we went to the Dr. Kaboom Field trip. We have a few hands-on labs scheduled at Chico state. Our first one will be on Electricity tying into our electricity unit.

Katrina 1st/2nd

We are working on the seven continents and did a fun hands-on learning activity outside.

Theresa tk/k

Kindergarten will start a short unit on their 5 senses. We will also learn about the seasons as we move from summer to fall.