

~ *To inspire our students and community through a sustainable, comprehensive academic environment...*

Forest Ranch Charter School – Board of Directors

Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 5:30 PM

15815 Cedar Creek Road, Forest Ranch, CA 95942

Meeting Agenda

1. Open Session – Call to Order

2. Roll Call

- a. Christia Marasco – Director *Present*
- b. Lisa Speegle – consulting CBO
- c. Monica Rogers – Business Coordinator *Present*
- d. Michele Jimenez – Teacher Advisor/Liaison *Present*
- e. Beth Wattenberg – Chair, Community Representative (June 2026) *Present*
- f. Tamba Sellu – Vice Chair, Parent Representative (June 2024) *Present*
- g. Teresa Amoroso – Secretary, Parent Representative (June 2025) *Present*
- h. Joanna Robbins – Treasurer, Parent Representative (June 2026) *Present*
- i. Robert Chaplin – Educational Representative (June 2024) *Present*
- j. Susie Welker – Parent Representative (June 2025; resigned August 2024)
- k. Janessa Sederquist – Community Representative (June 2026)

3. Celebrations / Recognitions

There's great progress in students' academic achievements.

The Valentine's Dance had a great family attendance. Kids and their parents had a blast.

4. Review Meeting Norms

5. Public Comments on Items NOT on the Current Meeting Agenda

No public

6. Changes / Deletions to Current Meeting Agenda

7. Consent Calendar

- a. Consider Approval of January Meeting Minutes

There's an error in the January Meeting Minutes in section 8c, Teresa motions to approve the January Meeting Minutes with fixed item in section 8c and the starting time, Joanna seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- b. Consider Approval of January Financial Report

Beth motions to approve the January Financial Report, Robert seconds, motion passed.

- c. Consider Approval of Upcoming Field Trips

Upcoming field trips; Laxton Auditorium -Feb 23; Career fair at the Chico Fairgrounds for 8th grade only; March 15 – Turtle Bay for 6th, 7th, 8th grade; Ecological Reserve for Mrs. Sellu's class. Teresa motions to approve all field trips, Robert seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

8. Discussion/Action Calendar

- a. Discuss and Consider Approval of Second Interim Budget

Attendance is up by 2%. Illness remains very high and we're having to recoup funds from independent study. Before we were at a \$75,000 deficiency now were at \$46,000 deficiency. Tamba motions to approve the Second Interim Budget, Teresa seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- b. Discuss and Consider Approval of Declaration of Need for a single subject Math and Fundamental Math Teacher for 23-24 school year.

Teresa motions to approve the Declaration of Need for single subject Math and Fundamental Math Teacher for 23-24 school year, and file for both fundamental math and High School Math, Joanna seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- c. Discuss and Consider Approval of Comprehensive Safety Plan

Before Covid FRCS had a stricter policy on student cell phone use, now its less strict but we need to encourage students to keep their cell phones in their backpacks.

Need to create a fire safe clearance around the perimeter of FRCS campus. Black berry bush are surrounding the fence making it a fire hazard. There needs to be a plan in place that can help clean up the school and make it more fire safe. Beth motions to approve the Comprehensive Safety Plan, Tamba seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- d. Discuss and Consider Approval of Line of Credit Renewal

FRCS holds a line of credit with Northern California National Bank. Robert motions to approve \$100,000 line of credit with Northern California National Bank, Joanna seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- e. Discuss and Consider Approval of P-1 Attendance Report

Met goals, but goals were set conservatively. Teresa motions to approve P-1 Attendance Report, Beth seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- f. Discuss and Consider Approval of LCAP Monitoring Report

Teachers are working hard to help our students reach their academic goals. We're slowing improving our scores. Teresa motions to approve the LCAP Monitoring Report, Tamba seconds, all say aye, motion passed.

- g. Discuss and Consider Approval of Uniform Complaint Policy with Addition of Nutrition Services section.

Move item to March Meeting Agenda

- h. Discuss and Consider Approval of West Ed./Citizen Math MOU

This is a great opportunity to get our teachers trained in real world application of math problems. It involves data sharing with the program therefore need to give parents proper notice. There are two cohorts. We were selected for cohort 1 and will get to start soon. Tamba motions to approve the West Ed./ Citizen Math MOU, Beth seconds motion, all say aye, motion passed.

- i. Discuss and Consider Approval of See's Candy Fundraiser

Teresa will take on the See's Candy Fundraiser this year. Teresa motions to approve the See's Candy Fundraiser, Joanna seconds motion, all say aye, motion passed.

- j. Discuss Recommendations and Consider Approval of Development of short/long term Fire Clearance Plan

An insurance group approached us about coming out to assess and recommend new insurance factors. Forest Ranch is a fire safe community and can get a certificate to prove it. The board needs to organize and fund a for abatement work to show that we are doing the work to keep our campus safe. Need further discussion and planning. Will bring it back for March Meeting.

- k. Discuss and Consider Approval of final ELOP days for the 23-24 school year and accompanying teacher stipends.

*With all the weather emergencies last year we did not finish all our school days las year.
Proposal*

Spring break – 5 days – Support students academically and parents.

May 30-31st and June 3-7th – students from TK- 6th grade.

Beth motions to approve final ELOP days for the 23-24 School Year that include Spring break (5 days) May 30-31st, June 3-7th for students grades TK-6th and accompanying teacher stipends. Tamba seconds motion, all say aye, motion passed.

9. Reports and Presentations

a. Director Report

i. Enrollment: 107

ii. Student Achievement and Related Measures

Will discuss next meeting.

iii. Campus and Student Safety

Large Facility projects on stand still.

iv. Human Resources

Doing ok on teacher substitutes. Struggling to find subs for support staff.

Teachers are getting trained on thinking maps with writing programs. Had a faculty training day last Friday.

v. Upcoming School Event

Middle School Dance March 8th from 6-8pm

vi. Professional Development

MTSS training is coming along.

vii. Board Development and Update on Responsibility Actions

All board members need Brown Act Training.

b. Teacher Report

Mrs. Stearns-

1st grade has been studying about American symbols (US flag, Statue of Liberty, Liberty Bell, Mt. Rushmore, etc.). Working on reading fluency and comprehension in leveled groups. We started place value, adding and subtracting in double digits without regrouping and are to start graphing.

Ms. Ulep-

In our reading groups we are reading Charlotte's Web. The students are practicing their comprehension and vocabulary while reading the book. 3rd grade math students are working on writing and evaluating expressions. The students were excited and nervous to be using variables. We just finished our mini science unit on heredity and traits and will be starting our next history unit next week.

Mrs. Sellu –

We have been learning about African Americans for black history month. Students picked 1 or 2 people to learn about, took notes, and now we're using our thinking maps and writing program to create 5 paragraph essays. In science we have been learning about life science and the transfer of energy through an ecosystem. In math students are

rising to the challenge of fractions. Fore history, we have just started learning about the 13 colonies after completing our unit on exploration. Busy days as we wrap up trimester 2!

Middle School Mrs. DJ –

PE is not as fun in the rain, but the kids are thankful for the new basketball backboards and hoops. Math is moving along. We are finishing chapter 7 out of 9 in hopes that we finish before the state testing. We are currently learning about ratios in Math A, and simple/compound interest in Math B. Students are finishing novels, working on weekly spelling, and have completed their expository essay. 7-8th grade science is learning about the rock cycle, and 6th grade history is in ancient Greece. 7-8th performed a play that is spoof of “And Then There Were None,” by Agatha Christine, which they read. It was successful. The 6th graders are beginning to practice their play on a Greek myth. Wellness class has been powerful lately learning about the different types of bullying and harassment.

c. Facilities Report

The Sacramento bus mechanics have sent us a bill for the tow from Sacramento.

The bathroom doors have not been installed.

Jessee Heating and Air has not fixed the heating in the science room.

The new playground is also on a standstill.

d. Technology Report

e. Transportation Report

f. Parent Teacher Partnership Report

10. Future Agenda Items

Curriculum and Instruction Policies

Academic Achievement Measures

Audited Actuals

11. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 7:36pm