

Charter Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 13, 2025

Members in attendance: ✓ = in attendance A = absent

Arnold Arsenault	✓	Jennifer Hillman (1)	✓	Nicole Zakharin (2)	✓
Jonathan Hurst	✓	Joyce Vanasopha (1) 5:40pm	✓	Frances Loeffler	✓
		Jennifer Ahrendt (1)	✓	Michele Walker	✓
Cheryl Casanova (1)	✓	Carol Ann McGuire (1)	✓		

1. Call the meeting to order at 5:35pm
2. Pledge was recited.
3. Michele welcomed everyone to the new school year. She announced that Ken Miller has retired from OUSD so will no longer be on our board. We wish him congratulations! We currently do not have any determination from OUSD as to a replacement.
4. Quorum was established with members of the board present.
5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Moved by Jennifer A. 2nd by Arnold. Fran asked to move Board Item 1 to below Public Comment on non-agenda items.

Motion adopted 9/0/0/1 with:

Arnold Arsenault – yes

Jonathan Hurst – yes

Cheryl Casanova – yes

Jennifer Hillman – yes

Joyce Vanasopha – absent

Jennifer Ahrendt – yes

Carol Anne McGuire – yes

Nicole Zakharin – yes

Frances Loeffler – yes

Michele Walker – yes

Joyce Vanasopha arrived at 5:40

6. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Michele reviewed the first days of school schedule. She announced that we have a new SRO, Officer Wardle of Anaheim PD. He will be here at registration. Back to School Night will be the evening of September 9th.

7. Minutes from the May 28, 2025 meeting were presented. Moved by Jennifer A. 2nd by Arnold.

Motion adopted 10/0/0/0 with:

Arnold Arsenault – yes

Jonathan Hurst – yes

Cheryl Casanova – yes

Jennifer Hillman – yes

Joyce Vanasopha – yes

Jennifer Ahrendt – yes

Carol Anne McGuire – yes

Nicole Zakharin – yes

Frances Loeffler – yes

Michele Walker – yes

8. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:** Fran reported that the committee met on June 10, 2025 and took the following action:

Rogue Fitness – 4 Echo bike and rower packages for the weightroom for \$7,068.40. Approved unanimously.

Dazian – replacement of stage curtains not to exceed \$10,000. Approved unanimously.

The committee also met on August 6, 2025 to set this agenda. No other action was taken.

9. Personnel report: Fran presented. Moved by Carol Anne. 2nd by Nicole.

Motion adopted 10/0/0/0 with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – yes
Carol Anne McGuire – yes
Nicole Zakharin – yes
Frances Loeffler – yes
Michele Walker – yes*

10. Public Comment – Items on the agenda: None.

INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS:

11. ACTION: Board Item 2 – Classified contract. Michele discussed that after review of our budget and our charter which states “as good or better”, the possibility of increasing the one-time off-schedule payment to \$5,000 per FTE for classified employees for 24-25. She added that we believe everyone is part of the same team. This also includes an additional employer contribution to health insurance premiums.

Moved by Jonathan. 2nd by Arnold.

Jennifer H. expressed concerns about affordability. Fran responded to the concern elaborating on our budget planning and spending practices. Michele and other board members added that the one-time does not encumber our budget year after year as does an increase on the salary schedule would.

Jennifer A. recused herself from the vote.

Motion adopted 9/0/0/0, 1 recusal with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – recuse
Carol Anne McGuire – yes
Nicole Zakharin – yes
Frances Loeffler – yes
Michele Walker – yes*

12. ACTION: Board Item 3 – Change order, stage curtain/Dazian. Fran offered that there was an increase in the scope to add side panels and therefore increased the price. Moved by Nicole. 2nd by Arnold.

Nicole asked if we had an installation date. Not yet.

Motion adopted 10/0/0/0 with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – yes
Carol Anne McGuire – yes
Nicole Zakharin – yes
Frances Loeffler – yes
Michele Walker – yes*

- 13. ACTION: Board Item 4 – Woodshop equipment purchase.** Fran described the need for new equipment in the woodshop. Moved by Carol Anne. 2nd by Jennifer H.

Motion adopted 10/0/0/0 with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – yes
Carol Anne McGuire – yes
Nicole Zakharin – yes
Frances Loeffler – yes
Michele Walker – yes*

- 14. Consent: A. Licenses, B. Contracts**

Moved by Jennifer A. 2nd by Nicole

Motion adopted 10/0/0/0 with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – yes
Carol Anne McGuire – yes
Nicole Zakharin – yes
Frances Loeffler – yes
Michele Walker – yes*

- 15. Public Comment – Items not on the agenda.** None

- 16. ACTION: Board Item 1 – Certificated contract.** Michele reviewed the same intentions as the classified contract. The certificated contract terms also includes Leadership employees.

Moved by Jennifer A. 2nd by Arnold.

Fran, Carol Anne, Nicole and Michele recused themselves from the vote.

Motion adopted 6/0/0/0, 4 recusals with:

*Arnold Arsenault – yes
Jonathan Hurst – yes
Cheryl Casanova – yes
Jennifer Hillman – yes
Joyce Vanasopha – yes*

*Jennifer Ahrendt – yes
Carol Anne McGuire – recuse
Nicole Zakharin – recuse
Frances Loeffler – recuse
Michele Walker – recuse*

- 17. New/Other business – None.**

- 18. Adjournment – 6:09p.m.**

*Respectfully submitted,
Frances Loeffler*