**YUBA ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CHARTER ACADEMY**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES**

**9841 Texas Hill Road  
Oregon House, CA**

**November 30, 2023**

**3:30pm**

**In-Person**

**9841 Texas Hill Road, Oregon House, CA 95962**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PRESENTATIONS TO**

**THE COUNCIL BY PARENTS AND CITIZENS**

The Yuba Environmental Science Charter Academy (“YES Charter Academy”) welcomes your participation at the School’s Council meetings.  The purpose of a public meeting of the Council of Directors (“Council”) is to conduct the affairs of the School in public.  We are pleased that you are in attendance and hope that you will visit these meetings often.  Your participation assures us of continuing community interest in our School.  To assist you in the ease of speaking/participating in our meetings, the following guidelines are provided:

1.         Agendas are available to all audience members at the door to the meeting.

2.         Blue “Request to Speak” forms are available to all audience members who wish to speak on any agenda items or under the general category of “Oral Communications.”

3.         “Oral Communications” is set aside for members of the audience to raise issues that are not specifically on the agenda.  However, due to public meeting laws, the Council can only listen to your issue, not respond or take action.  These presentations are limited to three (3) minutes and total time allotted to non-agenda items will not exceed fifteen (15) minutes.  The Council may give direction to staff to respond to your concern or you may be offered the option of returning with a citizen-requested item.

4. With regard to items that are on the agenda, you may specify that agenda item on your blue request form and you will be given an opportunity to speak for up to five (5) minutes when the Council discusses that item.

5.         When addressing the Council, speakers are requested to state their name and address from the podium and adhere to the time limits set forth.

6.          Citizens may request that a topic related to school business be placed on a future agenda in accordance with the guidelines in the School’s Council Policy.  Once such an item is properly agendized and publicly noticed, the Council can respond, interact, and act upon the item.

7.          Requests for disability-related modifications or accommodations to participate in this public meeting should be made 24 hours prior to the meeting by calling 530-692-2210 or emailing [lmiller@yescharteracademy.org](mailto:lmiller@yescharteracademy.org). All efforts will be made for reasonable accommodations. The agenda and public documents can be modified upon request as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

# PRELIMINARY

* 1. **CALL TO ORDER:** 3:38pm
  2. **ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM**

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| **President/Chair** | **Pam Cook** | **X** |
| **Vice President** | **Linda Cohee** | **-** |
| **Chief Financial Officer** | **Paul McGovern** | **X** |
| **Secretary** | **Jamie Hyatt** | **-** |
| **Staff Representative** | **Tracey Fuschich** | **-** |
| **Principal/Director** | **Louise Miller** | **X** |
| **Director** | **Lisa Thompson** | **X-Left @4:46** |
| **Director** | **Yvette Rodriquez** | **X** |

**Guests:** Debbie Campbell, Oliver Green(YES Charter Student Council Liaison), Michele Goldberg-Left @4:49

* 1. **Adopt Minutes from Previous Meeting: (September, and October 2023)** Pam made a motion to accept the minutes with changes. Lisa second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.
  2. **Reading of Vision/Mission/Core Values:**

Mission: YES CHARTER ACADEMY educates K-8 students in a school culture that values the scientific method and a curricular focus on environmental studies. The highest Common Core State Standards, as well as high standards of moral conduct, are emphasized.

The vision of the YES CHARTER ACADEMY is to educate K–8 students of the Sierra Foothills through a self-motivating, individualized, and comprehensive curriculum that connects learners with learning via a program, teaching staff, and school culture that value scientific methods of inquiry.

YES Charter Academy Students Are: Environmental Stewards, Positive Team Members, Academic Masters, Resourceful, Responsible Citizens, Kind!

1. **PUBLIC SESSION**

**A**. The COD will review and consider approving the First Interim Budget Revision: **For**

**Action**

Handout. Discussion. Paul made a motion to approve the First Interim Budget Revision as written. Lisa second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.

**B.** The COD will review and consider approving the Comprehensive School Safety Plan: **For Information/Action**

Handout. Discussion. Lisa would like to make a motion to approve the Comprehensive School Safety Plan as written. Pam second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.

**C.** Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Report and Public Input. YES Staff will report on the 2023-2024 LCAP in general, and about the addition of the Family Liaison position in particular. YES staff and COD will hear and consider input from the public about the YES LCAP: **For Information**

No action. Discussion. Family Liaison position. Lower and reduce suspension rate. Less discipline in the classroom and more time learning.

**D.** The COD will review and consider approving the Council Meeting Calendar: **For Information/Action**

Handout. Yvette made a motion to adopt the Council Meeting Calendar with changes. Pam second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.

**E.** The COD will receive a report from staff to review current enrollment: **For Information**

Discussion. Enrollment is adequate.

**F.** Regular Review of Committees: **For Information/Action**

**Facilities and Safety**: Pam Cook/Deb Campbell/Dawn Kawndart

Solar project delayed. Bus infrastructure delayed.

**Academic**: Louise Miller/Linda Cohee/Eve Domingo/Paul McGovern/Lisa Thompson/Pam Cook

Tools and resources are effective. Data shows academic improvement and growth. Google survey for parents, students, and teachers. How to help parents get involved and help students’ academic success at home.

**Outreach**: Louise Miller/Jamie Hyatt/Lisa Thompson/Michele Goldberg/Michele

Rodriquez

Breakfast with Santa is Saturday, December 9, 2023. Website optimization. Lisa presented the COD with an upgraded template. Flyers, Facebook advertisements, and Instagram boost.

**Finance**: Paul McGovern/Pam Cook

Dashboard.

**Transportation**: Deb Campbell

Seeking battery backups for stations. Lemon Law review for electric bus.

**Wellness:** Louise Miller/Sheila Rolfer**/**Yvette Rodriguez/Michele Goldberg

Fresh fruit and vegetables are offered three days a week during the first recess. Farmer position is a success.

**III. ADJOURNMENT**: 5:36pm