

**YUBA ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CHARTER ACADEMY
REGULAR MEETING
COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

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

September 28, 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. 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.

I. PRELIMINARY

A. CALL TO ORDER: 4:05pm

B. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM

President/Chair	Pam Cook	X
Vice President	Linda Cohee	X
Chief Financial Officer	Paul McGovern	X
Secretary	Jamie Hyatt	X
Staff Representative	Tracey Fuschich	X
Principal/Director	Louise Miller	X
Director	Lisa Thompson	X
Director	Yvette Rodriquez	X

Guests: Debbie Campbell, Sima Ghandi-left@4:59pm, LeAnne Green, Oliver Green(YES Charter Student Council Liaison), Kiera-joined @4:33pm and left @4:59pm.

C. Adopt Minutes from Previous Meeting: (August 2023) Yvette made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Linda second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.

D. 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!

II. PUBLIC SESSION

A. Teacher Member Selection: For Information
Tracey Fuschich was selected by staff.

B. The COD will review and consider for adoption updates to the Uniform Complaint Policy: For Information
Robust amendments. Update every five years. Best practice annual review per Charter Law & Regulations. Pam moved to accept the Uniform Complaint Policy as written. Yvette second. All in favor. The vote passed unanimously.

C. The COD will review and consider adoption updates to the Suicide Prevention Policy: For Action
Additional training for staff. Pam made a motion to accept the Suicide Prevention Policy with typographical errors as written. Jamie second. All in favor. The vote passed

unanimously.

D. The COD will review and consider approving the Universal Prekindergarten Planning and Implementation Grant: **For Information/Action**
Moved to next month.

E. Material Revision Approval: **For Information**
The Material Revision to add high school grades has been approved.

F. The COD will receive a report from staff to review current enrollment: **For Information**
Discussion. Enrollment is adequate.

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

Facilities and Safety: Pam Cook/Deb Campbell/Dawn Kawndart
General cleanup. New Middle School.

Academic: Louise Miller/Linda Cohee/Eve Domingo/Paul McGovern/Lisa Thompson/Pam Cook
iReady project. Train teachers, test students and start tracking. Academic Committee Report Dashboard. Handout.

Outreach: Louise Miller/Jamie Hyatt/Lisa Thompson/Michele Goldberg/Michele Rodriguez
Food and Water Festival. YES Charter will host the Sunday workshops. Lunch will be available. Harvest Festival and Chili Cookoff scheduled 10/20/23. The cookbook was submitted to the publisher.

Finance: Paul McGovern/Pam Cook
Dashboard.

Transportation: Deb Campbell
Electric bus is back. Charging station in progress.

Wellness: Louise Miller/Sheila Rolfer/Yvette Rodriguez/Michele Goldberg
The cafeteria is doing a fabulous job. Fresh fruit and vegetables grant.

III. ADJOURNMENT: 5:57pm