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YES Charter Academy

Minutes

YES COD Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday May 29, 2025 at 3:30 PM

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

9841 Texas Hill Road Oregon House, CA In Person

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Directors Present

Deborah Hoerner, Lance Haliday, Lisa Thompson, Louise Miller, Pamela Cook, Paul McGovern (remote)

Directors Absent

Linda Cohee, Yvette Rodriguez

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

Paul McGovern

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Pamela Cook called a meeting of the board of directors of YES Charter Academy to order on Thursday May 29, 2025 at 3:32 PM.

B. RECORD ATTENDANCE / ESTABLISH QUORUM

Paul McGovern arrived at 3:42 PM.

Guests in Attendance: Siobhan Searle, Michele Goldman

C. Approve Minutes

Pamela Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from April 24, 2025.

Deborah Hoerner seconded the motion.

Motion passed with agreed amendments.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Reading of Vision/Mission/Core Values

-Pam Cook

II. PUBLIC SESSION

A. Public Comment

No public comments.

B. Teacher Presentation

C. The Student Representative will address the COD

No Student Representative presenting.

D. The Staff Representative will address the COD

The Staff Appreciation Dinner was a great success. The food was excellent, and the event was well received by all who attended.

WASC Accreditation visit went very well. The visiting WASC committee identified key strengths and areas for improvement—only five areas for improvement were noted, which is a strong outcome. The accreditation team will return for the next visit in three years.

E. Fire Alarm Proposal

Pamela Cook made a motion to accept proposal.

Lance Haliday seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

F. ELOP plan for review

Postponed and will be brought back for consideration at the June meeting.

G. A Declaration of Need

Postponed and will be brought back for consideration at the June meeting.

H. 2025 LCFF Budget Overview for Parents

A presentation was shared showing that the 2025 LCFF budget is aligned with the school's financial goals and requirements. The overview confirms that the budget remains on track.

I.

Public Hearing – Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and 2025–26 Budget

The draft LCAP and proposed 2025–26 budget were presented during the public hearing. Input, feedback, and questions were invited from the educational partners and the public prior to finalizing and adopting the LCAP.

J. Consent Agenda (Approved in its entirety)

Pamela Cook made a motion to Accept the consent agenda as presented.

Deborah Hoerner seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

III. REGULAR REVIEW OF COMMITTEES

A. Facilities & Safety

The trailer designated for the 10th-grade class is ready. Yuba County building and health inspections are pending. If progress stalls, the committee will escalate the matter by contacting our County Supervisor for oversight and support.

B. Academic

The committee reviewed the Dashboard data for grades 3–8 CAASPP results. Most grade levels showed growth, with a slight dip noted in 7th grade. Overall, the team remains optimistic about the school's academic progress and outcomes.

C. Outreach

The creation of the Monarch Waystation was a significant success. The project received strong media attention, including coverage by the *Appeal-Democrat* and a feature on CBS Evening News.

The committee participated in the Camptonville Annual Plant Sale with a booth to raise awareness about YES Charter's expansion to include high school grades here in the foothills.

D. Finance

The Financial Dashboard was shared for review. The year-end reconciliation process is scheduled to be completed by the end of the fiscal year.

E. Transportation

No new updates. The electric bus remains under repair.

F. Wellness

The Community Supported Agriculture Box program has been launched. The weekly produce subscription provides boxes full of fresh, seasonal farm-grown food to families and community members, fostering healthy eating and supporting YES Charter and local farmers. The program strengthens community connections and aligns with the school's environmental science mission. Those interested in joining the CSA program or learning more about it, please reach out via email at CSA@yescharteracademy.org.

Preparation of the property for the Community Garden space is ongoing. The 5-acre parcel will require insurance, with the specific type to be confirmed with Young, Minney & Corr.

G. Board Policy & Procedure

The committee is working on updates to the Parent-Student Handbook, including required annual notifications and new additions needed for the high school. The handbook is a valuable tool for communicating the school's practices and expectations. The goal is to finalize the draft and place it on next month's agenda for board approval for the upcoming school year.

H. Board Governance

Board members will receive an invitation Friday morning to join the YES BoardOnTrack portal. This platform is intended to support a more proactive Board, enhance governance skills, and help identify strategic recruitment needs based on existing skill gaps. Once signed in, our assigned coach, Brianna Stuczynski, will reach out to assist with onboarding. Board members are asked to complete their skill profiles upon logging in. After the Board is comfortable using the platform, invitations will be extended to support staff and committee members, with onboarding support provided as needed.

I. Anti-Bullying Committee

The committee discussed incorporating relevant policies into the Parent-Student Handbook, including those aligned with the Safe Schools Act and Restorative Justice practices. Emphasis was placed on increasing awareness and accessibility of the school's anti-bullying policies among students, parents, and staff.

IV. REPORT OUT

A.

Disclosure of reportable actions, and how each member voted if any action was not unanimous.

No reportable actions.

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Cook

Pamela Cook made a motion to Adjourn meeting.

Louise Miller seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Louise Miller

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