

Discovery Charter School

**1100 Camino Biscay
Chula Vista, CA 91910**

Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 6, 2023
5:30pm
Regular Meeting

MINUTES

I. Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order at 5:30pm

B. Roll Call

Members Present: Rochelle Carroll, Tara Zaragoza, Harry Sevel, Sara Roa

Members Absent: Morgan Appel

Others Present: Neil MacGaffey, Erika Alamo, Rubi Palomares

C. Pledge of Allegiance led by Eliana Epps and Sebastian Sanchez

D. Grade Level Presentation: 2nd Grade

- Our 2nd grade teachers along with their students presented to the Board and spoke about their current social studies unit of study. They shared what they have learned about how schools and societies worked in the past and displayed their family tree projects. The students also spoke about their different generations, what they knew about their ancestors and family traditions. They mentioned their upcoming Grandparent's Day and sang the song they will be presenting in English and Spanish. The students thanked the Board and answered questions about their experience learning and creating their family tree. The Board praised the students for their great presentation.

II. Approve Agenda

(Action)

Motion: Zaragoza

Second: Roa

Vote: MCSU

III. Approve Minutes from the August 16th, 2023 Regular Board Meeting (Action)

Motion: Sevel

Second: Zaragoza

Vote: MCSU

- IV. Public Comment:** Persons wishing to address the Board of Directors on any item on the agenda or non-agenda items should do so during the Public Comment portion of the meeting. No action or discussion shall be undertaken by the Board of Directors on any item not appearing on the posted agenda. Speakers are requested to limit their comments to no more than five (5) minutes.

A. Public Comment – Items on the Agenda - None

B. Public Comment – Items not on the Agenda - None

V. Executive Director's Report (Information/Report)

- Mr. MacGaffey presented the behavior data and interventions for Discovery. The amount of referrals decreased on average and the data looked very positive. This is due to the interventions we have put in place.
- Mrs. Alamo and Mr. MacGaffey are starting student council this week. Student campaigns will start soon and everyone is excited about the leadership opportunities for the students.
- Mr. MacGaffey shared some pictures about Discovery's rainy day, older student buddy ups, and his time with the TK's during lunch.
- Mr. MacGaffey shared information on our new afterschool biking club, Sprockids, which is very popular with the students.
- We had our first DELAC meeting here at Discovery which was well attended and was a successful meeting. We were able to elect a DELAC Board and shared information for our EL parents.
- Our PTC Family camp-out is this Friday on campus and an invitation was extended for our Board members to attend.
- Mr. MacGaffey invited the Board to our Fall Choir concert on September 18th.
- He proudly shared that we are still #1 in the district in attendance. 59 students are considered chronically absent, and our teachers will be conferencing with the parents starting next week.
- Our scholastic book fair is coming up and an array of afterschool activities are currently ongoing and are soon to begin on different days of the week.
- Athlead will also be on campus for Fall Intersession and sign-ups have started.
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VI. School-wide Focus and ILT Professional Development Report (Information/Report)

- Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. Thielemann presented and spoke about our school-wide goal and focus which is writing across many content areas.
- They reviewed last year's school wide focus and goal and spoke about this year's standards and practices. Mrs. Peterson reviewed the specific writing goals for TK-2, 3-5 and 6th-8th grade students with examples.
- She reviewed additional content areas such as science and math, claims and evidence in science standards, and also reviewed Math claims.
- Mrs. Peterson spoke about quality indicators and best practices that we are currently using for our teachers.
- The writing committee provided a PLC, and Mrs. Peterson reviewed the goal for the PLC for quarter 1.
- Mrs. Sotomayor and Mrs. Lopez joined Mrs. Peterson for the ILT report. They reviewed the description of an ILT and discussed key terms in their job description.
- They discussed the PD of Bonnie Mcgrath did with our ILT and discussed their roles within ILT.
- A common agenda across grade levels is now being used.

VII. Approve Consent Calendar

(Action)

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Board to be one action. There will be no discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes on the motion unless members of the Board request specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

- A. **Approve Discovery Safety Patrol's Student Fundraising Request**
Purpose of Fundraiser: To raise funds for mid-year and end-of-year student safety patrol activities.
Description of Fundraising: Sell commercially prepared pizza at the September 8th, 2023, Discovery Family Campout.
- B. **Approve 6th Grade Student Fundraising Request**
Purpose of Fundraiser: To raise funds so students can help pay for their 6th Grade Camp field trip.
Description of Fundraising: Sell commercially prepared popcorn through Double Good Popcorn's online sales. Students can earn 50% of the proceeds.
- C. **Approve Discovery Odyssey of the Mind and Robotics Teams' Fundraising Request**
Purpose of Fundraiser: To raise funds for Odyssey of the Mind and Robotics competition teams' tournament registration fees, travel costs, and related necessary resources and supplies.
Description of Fundraising: Various dates in September 2023. Sell commercially prepared fresh fruit popsicles immediately after school. Balance of fundraising activities in September include commercially prepared snacks and glow gear at the Family Campout and afterschool STEAM Camp registrations.

Motion: Sevel

Second: Roa

Vote: MCSU

VIII. Approve the 2023-24 Consolidated Application: Application for Funding

(Action)

- Mr. MacGaffey shared a brief explanation on the CON-APP and its purpose.

Motion: Zaragoza

Second: Sevel

Vote: MCSU

IX. Board Announcements

- Mr. Sevel thanked the students for their great job today and enjoyed seeing the kids' presentations.
- Mrs. Zaragoza enjoyed the student presentations and thanked the teachers for highlighting these special moments. She also thanked the PTC for all their hard work.
- Mrs. Roa agrees with the other Board members and is very impressed with the behavior data. Mrs. Roa is happy that ELAC meetings are back on campus and also the after-school activities offered on different days of the week.
- Mrs. Carroll is excited about all the opportunities that are being offered on our campus and is looking forward to our Parent/Teacher conferences. Mrs. Carroll thanked everyone for being here.

X. Adjournment

(Action)

A motion was made by President Carroll to adjourn the meeting at 6:26pm

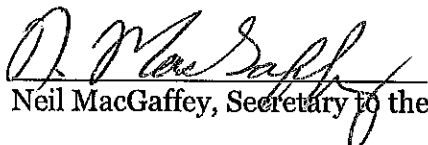
Motion: Zaragoza

Second: Roa

Vote: MCSU

The next regular meeting of the Discovery Charter School Board of Directors will be on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 5:30pm.


Rochelle Carroll, Board President


Neil MacGaffey, Secretary to the Board