

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc.
 Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC.

Board Meeting: February 8, 2024

Schools - Principals:

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| Clay Charter Academy–Brian Gifford | Southshore Charter Academy – Amy Sams |
| Creekside Charter Academy–Sherly Laguerre | Union Park Charter Academy – Kristen Land |
| College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park - Britton | Waterset Charter School – Dr. Chad McBane |
| Henderson Hammock Charter School–Nirvani Ramnath | Winthrop Charter School – Terry Johnson |
| Innovation Preparatory Academy – Meagan Smith | Winthrop College Prep Academy – Timothy Greenier |
| Keys Gate Charter School – Corinne Baez | Woodmont Charter School – Marvin Jones |

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

| Date: | Start | End | Next Meeting: | Next time: | Prepared by: |
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| February 8, 2024 | 1:01 pm | 2:38 pm | March 28, 2024 | 4:00 pm | R.Weaver/ L. Peake |

Meeting Location:

On-Site Location: At each school listed above

Attended by:

Board Members:

Valora Cole – Chair
 Eric Johnson – Vice-Chair
 Randy Walker – Treasurer
 Dr. Steve Knobl – Director

Absent: None

Other Attendees:

Principals and Parent Facilitators of Above-Mentioned Schools
 Board Attorney Levi Williams
 Dr. Eddie Ruiz, Florida State Superintendent
 LaShonda White, Area 1 Deputy Director
 Dr. Sara Capwell, Area 2 Deputy Director
 Christian Hamlin, Area 5 Deputy Director
 Andres Falconi, Finance Director, CSUSA
 Rita Weaver, Sr. Governing Board Director
 Leah Peake, Board Governance Manager

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 2:03 p.m. with a Call to Order by Board Chair Valora Cole. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

Board Chair Cole turned the meeting over to Vice-Chair Eric Johnson.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Board Vice-Chair Eric Johnson asked for public comments. The following spoke for public comment: A parent of a student, would like to put together a proposal for renewable energy ideas for the board to consider.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE

Elections of Officers and Retention of Board of Directors

- The board reviewed the current slate of board members for Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. ("FCEF-BACF")

MOTION: Motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Valora Cole to approve and retain the current officers and board of directors in good standing for the Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Board Policy Book

- The board reviewed the Board Policy for Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC.

MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Randy Walker to ratify the Board Policy Book for Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Approval of the November 30, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes

- The board reviewed the meeting minutes of the November 30, 2023, Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. ("FCEF-BACF") Meeting.

MOTION: Motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the November 30, 2023 Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, Meeting Minutes, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Approval of the January 17, 2024, Special Meeting Minutes

- The board reviewed the special meeting minutes of the January 17, 2024, Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. ("FCEF-BACF") Meeting.

MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Steve Knobl to approve the January 17, 2024 Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, Meeting Minutes, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

FCEF Board Meeting Schedule

- The board reviewed the FCEF Board Meeting Schedule for Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. ("FCEF-BACF") Meeting.

MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Randy Walker to reschedule the March Board Meeting to March 28, 2024, and cancel the April Board Meeting for Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

III. CSUSA REPORTS

- State Superintendent, Dr. Eddie Ruiz thanked the school, Clay Charter Academy for hosting the meeting and updated the board on the following:
 - The graduation rate for Winthrop College Prep Academy increased. Accountability changes and the new scales for school grades which include the buckets for combination schools Now there are four areas for grades.
- Dr. Ruiz reviewed the school scores and corresponding letter grades
- The area deputies reviewed the school dashboards for the Tier 3 schools in the Florida Charter Education Foundation and Bay Area Charter Foundation portfolio of schools.
- The board reviewed FY25 Enrollment targets for all the Florida Charter Education Foundation and Bay Area Charter Foundation portfolio of schools. schools.
- Union Park Charter Academy would like to increase enrollment for the 24/25 School Year.

MOTION: Motion was made by Randy Walker and seconded by Valora Cole to approve the enrollment increase for Union Park Charter Academy, as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

MOTION: Motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the State Superintendent Report, as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. FINANCIALS

ESSER Update

- Mrs. Weaver presented provided the board an update on the steps being taken by CSUSA to cut expenses and allocate current funds, technology, and staff prior to the final installment of the ESSER funding this September. The CSUSA managed schools have an internal deadline of June 30, 2024, to align with the schools' fiscal year.

CSP Grant Application Update

- Innovation Preparatory Academy 3
- College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park

MOTION: Motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Valora Cole by to ratify the CSP Grant submission for Innovation Preparatory Academy 3 and College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Miami-Dade Referendum

- The board reviewed the Miami-Dade Referendum.

MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Steve Knobl to approve the filing of a lawsuit against Miami-Dade County on behalf of Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

V. OLD BUSINESS

Classical K-12 Charter Application – Sarasota

- Mrs. Weaver provided the board with an update on the Classical K-12 Charter Application.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Business Development

Fruitville Road Development Agreement

- The board reviewed the Fruitville Road Development Agreement.

MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the Fruitville Road Development Agreement between Red Apple Development, LLC. and The Florida Charter Education Foundation, Inc. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Lease Agreement College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park

- The board reviewed the Lease Agreement College Preparatory Academy at Wellen Park.

MOTION: Motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the Lease Agreement with Red Apple North Port, LLC and The Florida Charter Education Foundation, Inc. Agreement. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

A+ Recognition Money Allocation Distribution Vote FY23

- The board reviewed the A+ Recognition Money Allocation Distribution Vote FY23 for the following schools:
 - Clay Charter Academy
 - Henderson Hammock Charter School
 - Innovation Preparatory Academy
 - Union Park Charter Academy
 - Winthrop Charter School

MOTION: A motion was made by Randy Walker and seconded by Valora Cole to ratify and approve the A+ Recognition Money Allocation Distribution Vote FY23 Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)

Teacher Certification Changes

- Mrs. Weaver provided the board an update on the new policies and procedures for Teacher Certifications and Exam Waiver requirements and the CSUSA process for bringing waivers to the board.

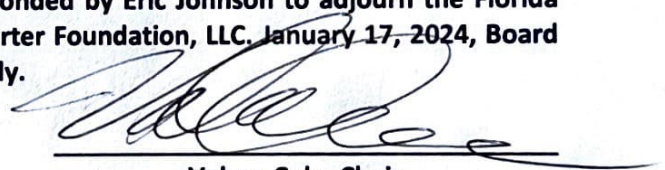
Out of Field Wavers

- Annamaria Felix
- Sophia Holland-Walker
- Dayana Gordillo
- Patrice Ward
- Jean O'Connor
- Vanessa Ruiz
- Johnathan Shepphard
- Danielle Smith
- Nicole Allen
- Leah Norris
- Marilyn Orengo
- Nia Martin
- Madison Garcia Sosa
- Kanehsia Castillovetita
- Cassidy Walters
- Caridad Santallana
- Bryant Combs

- **MOTION: Motion was made by Valora Cole and seconded by Steve Knobl to approve out of field waivers, for the above-mentioned schools as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 0 absent)**

ADJOURMENT

MOTION: A motion was made by Steve Knobl and seconded by Eric Johnson to adjourn the Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc. and Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC. January 17, 2024, Board Meeting at 2:38 p.m. Motion was approved unanimously.



Valora Cole, Chair

Date: 3-28-24