



GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

Regular Meeting

City of Cape Coral Charter School Authority

Governing Board Regular Meeting

City Council Chambers
Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 5:30p.m.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Dr. Guido Minaya

A Regular Meeting of the City of Cape Coral Charter School Authority Governing Board of Lee County, Florida, met on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at City Council Chambers, Cape Coral FL 33990. Chairman Minaya called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

2. Moment of Silence

Chairman Minaya

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

Chairman Minaya

4. Roll Call

Chairman Minaya, Michael Campbell, Susan Mitchell, Neal Saiz.

Parent Representatives: Hoagland, OHS/SAC, Frank, OEN/OES

Absent Excused: Jackson, Raso Tate, Rodriguez Meehan

Also Present: Jacquelin Collins, Superintendent

Danielle Jensen, Director of Food Service and Transportation

Tim Loughren, AP OHS

Donnie Hopper, Principal, OMS

Dr Brianne Romano, AP OMS

Kevin Brown, Principal, OEN

Kelly Weeks, AP OEN

MaryBeth Grecsek, Principal, OES

Carrie Abes, AP OES

Dolores Menendez, City Attorney (AE)

Mark Moriarty, Assistant City Attorney, City of Cape Coral

Connie Barron, Assistant City Manager
Mark Mason, Finance Director, CCC
Michele Hoffmann, Director IT, CCC
Mark Ridenour, Capital Projects, CCC
Damon Grant, Public Works Facilities Project Manager, CCC
Angela Cline, Classification & Compensation Manager, CCC
A.J. Forbes, Fleet Manager, CCC
Amy Pawloski, Teacher OMS
Trevor Pawloski, Student-OHS
CCPD Officer Herrera

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Member Campbell, Second by Member Mitchell to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022. Unanimous. Motion Carried

6. Approval of Regular Agenda Meeting

Motion made by Member Campbell, Second by Member Mitchell to Approve the Regular Governing Board Meeting Agenda, on Tuesday, February 8, 2022. Unanimous. Motion Carried

7. Public Comment

No Activity

8. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Member Campbell, Second by Member Mitchell to Approve the "Charter School General Personnel Recommendations November - December 2021" as presented. Unanimous. Motion Carried

9. Superintendent's Report

9A: Introduced Oasis High student, Trevor Pawloski, who gave a presentation on his positive experiences as an Oasis High intern.

9B: DISTRICT HALF CENT SALES TAX UPDATE - CSA and City Team had meeting with (IS) Dr Savage and his District Team. The District admitted they depend on the funding to meet the needs of their buildings, etc., it is important to their sustainability. However, they are also interested in CSA priority needs. Collins said Mayor Gunter encouraged the District and CSA to further develop a partnership to not only share Best Practices, but to also find ways to work together to meet the needs of the students, schools, and our communities. Savage agreed to further meetings between the CSA and the District to create a stronger alliance.

CAFR UPDATE - The Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Report is complete and has been uploaded to the Florida Department of Education and District's portals. Chris Kessler from the accounting firm, CliftonLarsonAllen will make a CAFR overview presentation during the next GB meeting on March 8th.

CORONA VIRUS/OMICRON VARIANT UPDATE - Collins said the charter schools have suffered from a few COVID surges, in particular the first two weeks return from Winter Break. Oasis is following the new CDC guidelines for the *Omicron variant*. Since January 2022:

- Staff Positive Cases - 60
- Student Positive Cases - 244
- Total Positive Case - 304
- Positivity rates - Each 1-student infection equals up to 3 other students becoming ill and also testing positive; the trend is elementary students recover faster than others
- Exposures - parents have the right to decide whether or not to quarantine their child
- DOH no longer contacting families with school exposure info; CSA still notifies DOH school positive cases
- CSA offers free testing to staff and students (with waiver)
- Staff Exposures - 18
- Student Exposures - 2055
- Total Exposures - 2073
- Current Lee County positivity rate: 21% Current State of Florida positivity: 18%

OASIS SOUTH CAMPUS TRAFFIC ANALYSIS - Collins contacted City for Traffic Analysis of Oasis South Campus (Corbett, Khodor). Next year the south campus is projected to be at capacity; this means upwards of 100+/- extra cars will be on our [already] crowded campus. Already one of the findings is that school start/end times are close together, and this overlap causes congestion and possible safety issues. CSA discovery teams are meeting to discuss pros/cons of the situation and what can be done up to, and including, an adjusted school start/dismiss time (SY 2023-24). Parents will be included in the next round of discussions - maybe a TownHall - and after further research Collins will bring a formal recommendation to the Board as to what the final suggestions are to help alleviate the heavy traffic congestion, and most importantly, address any safety concerns.

OASIS MIDDLE RECEIVES ITEEA STEM SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE AWARD - OMS has been awarded the "*ITEEA STEM School of Excellence, 2021-2022*" for its commitment to providing a robust Integrative STEM education program, and exemplifying outstanding leadership in the field of STEM education. An Oasis team of educators, lead by Dr John Omundsen, Oasis Director of STEM Education will attend the 86th Annual Conference in March, and bring back the award for the system to share. Dr Omundsen will also be a key presenter at the conference discussing "*Breaking Down Walls in Makerspaces.*"

SCHOOL FIGHT SONG UPDATE - Brothers Eric and Tyler Feichthaler have successfully copyrighted their *Shark School Spirit* fight song. This means the song can now be publically shared and played in our schools during games, etc.

10. **City Manager's Report**

10A: Connie Barron, Assistant City Manager

- Chapter 26 revisions still in progress; hopefully there will be an update by early next month/the next GB meeting. Barron will also have an update on the Oasis Middle School Gym Agreement which has to go to City Council for approval.
- Angela Cline - continues to work with Leisa Orcutt on CSA pay ranges, etc
- Mark Ridenour - no status change on the OEN Portables Project
- Michelle Hoffmann - IT services seems to be doing well

10B: Damon Grant, Facilities Project Manager: Gave update on the charter schools' custodial and maintenance services including:

- Over Spring Break (March 21-25) the OES elevator will get a full modernization.
- February 5th Alison Colello became the department's Custodial Supervisor; she oversees 1-Charter School Lead, along with 14-custodians.
- Grant will meet with Collins to discuss recent services feedback, and any enhancements/adjustments/tweeks that will improve services.

10C: Mark Mason, Director Financial Services: Updated his previous presentation, "Student Transportation Accelerated Bus Replacement Report" and continued with "*Analysis and Clarification of the Proposed Charter School Authority Bus Lease Agreement.*" [presentation/document]

11. Chairman's Report

- Commented on Mayor Gunter and the City's partnership during the January signing of the "Amended Master Lease Agreement for All Charter Schools and Facilities, 2021-2026" [pic overhead]
- Encouraged members to attend the Lighthouse Awards, March 6 at the Yacht Club
- Encouraged members to attend the Rist Family Foundation OEN Makerspace Dedication on March 14
- Encouraged members to attend the Charter School Governance Conference - March 26 (virtual) which supports CSA Strategic Plan professional development initiatives.
- Reminded members to complete and submit "*Form 1 - Financial Statement*" (7/1)
- Reminded members a few terms are expiring and new board member applications will be available Feb 28 - April 4 (members still have to apply even if they want to return); board reorganization is also upcoming on April 12th.

12. Foundation Report

Jennifer Hoagland, Treasurer for Gary Cerny, Foundation President

- Lighthouse Awards will be on Sunday, March 6, 2022. All members of the governing board are invited.
- "Feel the Love" baskets are still going out to homes that are feeling the effects of COVID
- Cape Charter Foundation Scholarship Applications are open Feb 10 - March 31, 2022. This year the Foundation is also offering the scholarships for 2/4 year trade/vocational public institutions.
- The annual Rally is set. A Foundation Family Fun Night the day before the Rally is forming with details to follow. There is also a teen golf tourney in conjunction

with the adults planned. Visit the Foundation website for more details and auction donations/sponsorship information.

- Grants awarded to school clubs and sports clubs include: OES cheer supplies and run club; OHS new camera for yearbook and photography club; OHS football for helmet reconditioning; OMS uniforms and equipment for intramural sports.
- Educational Grants for 2nd Semester is open - teachers can apply at any time

13. Staff Comment

Oasis Elementary North and Oasis Elementary South presented a unified elementary schools report. (Principals Brown and Grecsek - presentation)

14. Unfinished Business

ADVANCED TO CITY MANAGER REPORT, ITEM 10C

Item 14A: "Analysis and Clarification of the Proposed Charter School Authority Bus Lease Agreement" - Mark Mason, Director of Finance, City of Cape Coral

15. New Business

No Activity

16. Final Board Comment and Discussion

Minaya - Requested Superintendent Collins to provide a report on the so-called "Teacher Exodus" that Lee County is experiencing, and include whether or not it is also present/possibility in the Charter Schools.

Campbell - No Comment (NC)

Mitchell - NC

Saiz - NC

Hoagland - NC

17. Time and Date of Next Meeting

The next Regular Governing Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers.

18. Adjournment

The Governing Board adjourned at 6:32p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Paul-Evans

Charter School Authority Board Secretary

Secretary

Date of approval