

**Orenda Charter Schools  
Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes  
Monday, November 15, 2010 at 5:30PM  
2915 Williams Drive  
Georgetown, TX 78628**

Board Members in Attendance: Andrew Cottrill, President  
Travis Graves, Vice-President  
Lesley Rousey, Secretary  
Liz Mealy, Member  
Herman Matthews, Member

Administrative Attendees: Richard N. Rickey, Superintendent  
Linda Kelly, Asst. Superintendent/Dir. Of School Operations  
Margina Escobar, Business Office Manager  
Tommy Turner, Director Community Relations/Development  
Steve Werlein, Principal Gateway High School

Invited Guests: Stephanie Kucera, Region 12  
Sharon Fredriksson, Region 12, Special Education

I. Welcome/Determination of Quorum/Call to Order/Introduction of Invited Guests

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m., by President Andrew Cottrill by announcing the presence of a quorum, that the meeting had been duly called and notice of the meeting has been posted for time and in the manner required by law.

II. Hearing of Citizens Who Desire to Come Before the Board

No citizens asked to speak before the Board.

III. Presentation on Accountability. From TAKS to STAAR.

Stephanie Kucera and Sharon Fredriksson from Region 12 presented on the state accountability system and Orenda campus results.

IV. Recognitions/Presentations

Stephanie Kucera presented TAKS accountability Exemplary Rating award to Steve Werlein, Principal of Gateway College Preparatory High School

V. *Action* on Aug 16 and Aug 30, 2010 Board Meeting Minutes

Liz Mealy made a motion to approve the minutes of the Aug 16 and Aug 30, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Herman Matthews and approved unanimously.

VI. Financial Reports by the Business Office Manager, Margina Escobar.

**A. Action** on OCS YTD Ending October 31, 2010 Financial Report

Business Office Manager Margina Escobar presented the Orenda Charter Schools' Financial Report as of October 31, 2010.

**B. Action** on OCS 2010-11 Budget Amendments Business Office Manager Margina

Escobar presented the 2010-11 Budget Amendments

Lesley Rousey made a motion to approve the OCS Financial Report, 2010-11 Budget Amendments as presented. The motion was seconded by Travis Graves and approved unanimously.

**VII. Academic and Instruction Reports by Assistant Superintendent/Director of School Operations, Linda Kelly**

**A. Report of RF Monitoring Activities**

Linda Kelly presented report on RF Monitoring Activities

**B. Update on Search for Dir of Special Education Position**

Linda Kelly updated the board on Search for Director of Special Education position

**C. Report on District Highly Qualified Status**

Linda Kelly informed the board that the district reported 100% Highly Qualified teachers, per NCLB requirements, as of November 1, 2010.

**D. Action** on Campus Improvement Plans

**E. Action** on Computer Acceptable Use Policy

Linda Kelly reviewed the Campus Improvement Plan and the Computer Acceptable Use Policy with board members. Herman Matthews made a motion to accept the Campus Improvement Plans and the Computer Acceptable Use Policy as presented. The motion was seconded by Travis Graves and approved unanimously.

**VIII. Old Business**

**A. Possible Action** on Gateway College Prep School Building & Property [**Closed Session**]

Mr. Rickey gave an update on the land acquisition negotiations.

**IX. Superintendent's Report**

**A. Update of Search for Asst. Superintendent/Dir. Of School Operation Position**

Superintendent Richard N. Rickey updated the board on the Gateway Tech High School and Gateway College Prep School campuses.

X. New Business

A. **Action** on Charter Amendment

Liz Mealy made a motion to accept the Gateway HS name change. Herman Matthews seconded the motion and members approved unanimously.

B. **Action** on Generation 16 New Charter School Application

Liz Mealy made a motion to approve the Generation 16 New Charter School Application. Herman Matthews seconded the motion and the members approved unanimously.

XI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55pm. The next meeting was scheduled for February 7, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

Board Secretary