

**Orenda Charter Schools
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 10, 2015 at 5:30 PM
Gateway Prep Campus Cafetorium
3360 Westinghouse Road
Georgetown, TX 78626**

Board Members in Attendance: Andrew Cottrill, President
Travis Graves, Member
Herman Matthews, PhD, Member
Elizabeth Mealy, PhD, Member
Mick Swope, Member

Administrative Attendees: Richard Rickey, Chief Executive Officer
Carla Silber, Chief Operating Officer
Margina Escobar, Director of Financial Services
Tommy Turner, Director of Community Relations
Teresa Moreno, Director of Human Resources
Julie Walton, Executive Assistant

- I. Welcome
Mr. Cottrill called to order at 5:30 PM
- II. Hearing of Citizens Who Desire to Come Before the Board
- III. **Action** on June 29, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes (Tab # 1)
Herman Matthews made a motion to accept the June 29, 2015 Board Minutes. The motion was seconded by Andrew Cottrill and passed unanimously.
- IV. Financial Reports (Tab # 2)
 - A. **Action** on OCS YTD Ending June 30, 2015 Financial Report
 - B. **Action** on OCS Cash & Investment Summary Report for YTD ending June 30, 2015
 - C. **Action** on OCS 2014-15 OCS Budget Amendments
Travis Graves made a motion to accept the OCS YTD ending June 30, 2015 Financial Report, the OCS Cash & investment Summary for YTD ending June 30, 2015, and the OCS 2014-15 Budget Amendments. Andrew Cottrill seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
 - D. Donations & Fund Raising Report for YTD ending June 30, 2015
 - E. Discussion on OCS Wage & Salary Rates and Comparisons with Other Districts
 - F. **Action** on OCS 2015-16 District Budget
Liz Mealy made a motion to accept the OCS 2015-16 District Budget. Herman Matthews seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

- V. Academic and Instruction Reports (Tab # 3)
 - A. **Action** on TEA waivers (NBP and Accelerated Instruction)
 - B. **Action** on Certain Other District Policy and Procedures (Student-Parent Handbook, Student Code of Conduct, Textbook Sale or Disposal)
 - C. **Action** on UIL No Pass No Play Approved Course List for Waivers

Herman Matthews made a motion to accept the TEA waivers, Certain Other District Policy & Procedures, and the UIL No Pass No Play Approved Course List for Waivers. Andrew Cottrill seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

- D. Report on Coordinated School Health Committee
- E. Report on 2015 STAAR Results & State Accountability
- F. Report on Community School Engagement Rating

- VI. Old Business
 - A. Update on Charter Amendment Request

- VII. New Business (Tab # 4)
 - A. **Action** on resolution of the Board of Directors of Orenda Education authorizing a borrowing from the Newark Higher Education Finance Corporation to refinance educational facilities, approving the issuance of bonds and the execution and delivery of certain documents related thereto, and containing other matters related thereto.

Travis Graves made a motion to accept resolution of the Board of Directors of Orenda Education authorizing a borrowing from the Newark Higher Education Finance Corporation. Mick Swope seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM

NEXT MEETING November 2, 2015 @ 5:30 PM