

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

**Board Members in Attendance:** Andrew Cottrill, President  
Travis Graves, Vice-President  
Lesley Jansen, Secretary  
Herman Matthews, 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 Resource

- I. Welcome  
Mr. Cottrill called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.
- II. Hearing of Citizens Who Desire to Come Before the Board
- III. Presentations and Recognitions

The board adopted the following resolution. "The Board of Orenda Education and Orenda Charter Schools recognizes the dedication and leadership of the administrative leadership of Richard Rickey, the other administrative leaders, the teachers and staff that have contributed to this statewide recognition of student achievement."

- IV. **Action** on August 15, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes (Tab # 1)  
Herman Matthews motioned to accept the August 15, 2015 board minutes. The motion was seconded by Travis Graves and passed unanimously.
- V. Financial Reports (Tab # 2)
  - A. **Action** on OCS YTD Ending August 31, 2015 Financial Report
  - B. **Action** on OCS Cash & Investment Summary Report for YTD ending August 31, 2015
  - C. Report on F.I.R.S.T. Rating
  - D. Donations & Fund Raising Report for YTD ending September 30, 2015

Herman Matthews motioned to accept the OCS YTD Ending Financial Report and Cash & Investment Summary report. The motion was seconded by Lesley Jensen and passed unanimously.

- VI. Academic and Instruction Reports (Tab # 3)
- A. **Action** on District and Campus Improvement Plans
  - B. **Action** on Modified Schedule for State Testing Day Waiver
  - C. **Action** on Update/Changes to Student-Parent Handbooks
  - D. Report on Highly Qualified
  - E. Report on Avid Elementary and Secondary

Mick Swope motioned to approve action items A, B & C above. Discussion followed on exemption from final exams. The motion was seconded by Andrew Cottrill and passed unanimously.

- VII. Old Business (Tab # 4)
- A. Report on New Campus Start-Ups.
- Mr. Rickey gave a report on the new campus start ups.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

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Board Secretary

**NEXT MEETING January 18, 2016 @ 5:30 PM**