

Orange County Educational Arts Academy
A California Public Charter School

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting

August 12, 2020

8:30 p.m. – Open Session

Teleconference

Zoom Meeting:

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MINUTES

I. Call to Order 8:35 PM

A. Roll Call

Board Members

Dr. Alfonso Bustamante

Valerie Sullivan

Scott Overpeck, Chair

Ben Stanphill, Secretary

Boris Molina

Carmen Aparicio

Staff/Other

Kristin Collins, School Director

Janine McFarlin, Treasurer

Mike Limon, President/Executive Director

Present

Absent

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B. Approval of Agenda

II. Public Comment

No public comment

III. Board Interview with Jessica Reyes

Scott: What do you think the role of the board should be?

JR: Setting vision for the organization, especially as an educator, and a special education educator I can ask questions to lead to a deeper understanding of the direction. I'd love to come in and help with that piece.

BS: What made you want to be on the board?

JR: My involvement as a parent has kept increasing, child at OCEAA for 5 years, involved in math club, started speech and debate team, gone to Santa Ana Unified Board to talk about how special OCEAA is.

SO: What skills/resources/networks etc. do you bring to OCEAA as a board member?

JR: Person of action, willing to jump in with anything that needs to be done. Has experience grant writing and supervising field trips.

VS: Do you have any kids at OCEAA?

JR: I had 2, down to 1, a first grader.

SO: How do you balance personal preferences and beliefs with doing things for the good of OCEAA, especially vis a vis your employment at SAUSD.

JR: When we did the preliminary interview we talked a lot about this and I really had to reflect on this, but I'm a team player and really want to do what's best for the school. At the end of the day I'm not here to advance my agenda, I'm here to say "how do I help" and advance what's in the best interest at OCEAA.

Action: Accept Jessica Reyes application for Board of Directors at OCEAA.	Motion: BS Second: VS Vote: BS, VS, BM, CA, SO for
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IV. Items for Future Meetings

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on September 9, 2020.

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

July 8, 2020

OCEAA Board of Directors
825 N. Broadway St,
Santa Ana, CA 92701

RE: OCEAA Board Membership

Dear OCEAA Board Members,

I am writing to apply for an OCEAA board membership position because I believe that I have a myriad of skills that can contribute to the OCEAA community. I have been a highly involved parent at OCEAA since 2013. I recently became interested in joining the board when OCEAA opted to leave the Santa Ana Unified School District and create its own special education team. Special education can become very litigious and therefore, it is extremely important that OCEAA is legally meeting its obligations to serve all students with disabilities. At times, this can be overwhelming as a deep and thorough understanding of the process and regulations is needed. As a professional with 13 years experience in special education, I believe I can be a valuable asset to OCEAA's board as it begins a new chapter in overseeing the special education program.

Additionally, I am knowledgeable in a variety of curricula and school systems. I am very familiar with the curricula that OCEAA uses: Expeditionary Learning, Eureka Math, Benchmark Adelante, etc. As a special education educator, I am particularly adept in reading and comprehending educational data of all types. This skill allows me to ask analytical questions from a different perspective that can provide the board with a deeper understanding of the current school climate and the direction OCEAA is moving in.

Finally, my strongest qualities include being a passionate team player and a person of action. I believe in the importance of commitment and am willing to work outside of the board meetings on action items. I have limited grant writing experience but would like to explore this area more to support OCEAA.

The OCEAA board has an important role to guide the OCEAA community to reach its highest potential. I have been impressed with the leadership and would like to join the OCEAA board to help continue the board's effectiveness in doing what is best for OCEAA. I have enclosed my resume and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jessica Reyes