

Classical Education Network (CEN)

MINUTES for Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

February 7, 2023, 2:30-4:00 p.m.

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Optima Classical Academy at Estero, Lee (MSID: TBD)

Optima Classical Academy, virtual, Collier (MSID: 9040)

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Mr. Christopher Hudson	Board Chair	✓			
2	Dr. Laura Pate	Director	✓			
3	Ms. Yvonne Caldwell	Board Secretary	✓		2:36	
4	Mr. Glen Gilzean	Director	✓			3:00 p.m.
5	Ms. Cary Mitchell	Director	✓		2:37	

School Personnel in Attendance:	Optima Staff/Guests in Attendance:
Mrs. Erika Donalds, Executive Director	Mrs. Susan Turner, OptimaEd Director of Governance & Compliance
Dr. Dan Sturdevant, Head of School	

1. Call to Order by Mr. Hudson at 2:30 p.m.
2. Roll call attendance conducted by Mrs. Kuhl.
3. Agenda Adoption – Move Items 10. and 11. a.,b.,c., and d. to the beginning of the agenda
Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to adopt the amended agenda, seconded by Dr. Pate, vote: unanimous.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 1/11/2023, 1/23/2023 – (vote)
Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the 1/11/23 and 1/23/23 meeting minutes, seconded by Dr. Pate, vote: unanimous.
5. Board Chair Report – Mr. Hudson appreciates Optima’s help in getting the Estero closing documents signed. He reports receiving parent emails and asks the board members to continue to monitor their school emails.
6. Public Comment – None
7. Review of authorizer unique correspondence (written notice from School District) – None
8. Head of School’s Report – Dr. Sturdevant reviewed the FAST scores, period three testing required in-person. Mrs. Caldwell asked about the proficiency of entering students. Dr. Sturdevant will provide data this data at the next meeting. Dr. Pate suggested contacting Districts to use space for in-person testing requirements.

9. OptimaEd Report – Mrs. Turner reported that the Estero loan closing is finished. Will have more updates in the future.
10. Financial Report for OCA (MSID: 9040) July-December 2022 - (vote to accept)
Motion made by Dr. Pate to accept the financial reports for OCA as presented, seconded by Mr. Gilzean, vote: unanimous. Motion carries
 - a. Balance Sheet
 - b. Profit and Loss Statement
 - c. Cash Flow Statement
11. New Business
 - a. 22-23 Survey 3 Teacher Out of Field Report 9040 - (vote)
Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the 22-23 Survey 3 Teacher Out of Field Report 9040, seconded by Ms. Caldwell, vote: unanimous. Motion carries.
 - b. Delaying OCAE opening to 2024 – (vote) Mrs. Donalds explained the reasoning behind the delay.
Motion made by Dr. Pate to approve the delaying of OCAE opening to 2024, seconded by Mr. Gilzean, vote: unanimous. Motion carries.
 - c. Delaying OCAG opening to 2024 – (vote) – Already planned to open in 2024 but the Charter application was for 2023 and needs to be amended.
Motion made by Ms. Caldwell to approve the delaying of OCAG opening to 2024 and amending the Charter application, seconded by Dr. Pate, vote: unanimous. Motion carries.
 - d. Policy Updates – (vote)
Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the Policy updates to 2300, 2700, 6900, and new Policy 2800, seconded by Dr. Pate, vote: unanimous. Motion carries.
 - i. 2300 Behavioral Policies
 - ii. 2700 General Student Policies
 - iii. 6900 General Staff Policies
 - iv. 2800 Parent Complaints related to HB 1557
12. Board Comments - None
13. Adjournment – 3:00 p.m.

Next Board Meeting: Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 7th, 2023, 2:30-4:00 p.m.