



California Online Public Schools

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Minutes

California Online Public Schools (CalOPS) Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday March 11, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

CalOPS NorCal: 580 N. Wilma Avenue, Suite G, Ripon, CA 95366

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Directors Present

A. Pulsipher (remote), D. Rivas (remote), E. Wickliffe (remote), J. Stockdale (remote), P. Pulsipher (remote)

Directors Absent

M. Henjum

Guests Present

A. Larsen (remote), B. Jamero, D. Hertzler (remote), E. McGahey (remote), H. Tamayo (remote), J. Colombero, Jen Brunner (remote), Jose Alameida (remote), K. Eng (remote), L. Carter (remote), L. Dombek (remote), M. Brockway (remote), M. White (remote), R. Dreifus (remote), R. Romero (remote), R. Savage (remote), S. Ford (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Roll Call

CalOPS Staff

Ashley Larsen - Administrative Assistant
Ally Ireland - High School Assistant Principal
Bernie Jamero - Assistant Director of Finance - NorCal Office
Dan Hertzler - Director of Operations
Eva McGahey - Administrative Assistant
Hannah Hurley - Elementary School Assistant Principal
Heather Tamayo - Middle School Principal
Jen Brunner - High School Assistant Principal
Jose Alameida - Math Teacher
Julie Colombero - Assistant Director of Operations, Family Relations - SoCal Office
LaChelle Carter - Director of Finance
Leslie Dombek - Director of Educational Services
Marcus White - Elementary School Principal
Matt Brockway - High School Principal
Richard Savage - Superintendent
Richie Romero - Deputy Superintendent
Ryan Dreifus - Assistant Director of Human Resources
Stephen Ford - Assistant Superintendent

Contracted Staff

Kate Eng - Charter Impact Director of Client Finance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Approved by CalOPS Board of Directors April 8, 2025

J. Stockdale called a meeting of the board of directors of California Online Public Schools to order on Tuesday Mar 11, 2025 at 4:05 PM.

C. Approval of Agenda

E. Wickliffe made a motion to Approve the Agenda for the CalOPS Board Meeting.

A. Pulsipher seconded the motion.

The motion did not carry.

Roll Call

M. Henjum Absent

D. Rivas Aye

J. Stockdale Aye

E. Wickliffe Aye

P. Pulsipher Aye

A. Pulsipher Aye

II. Public Comment

A. Public Comment

The Board welcomes participation by the members of the public telephonically. To address an item on the agenda, before the scheduled start of the meeting, an individual must write their name and a short description of the agenda item on which they wish to comment on the card provided and submit this to the Chair, along with any materials they want to have distributed to the Board. Individuals who wish to address the Board telephonically must contact the School Leader by phone or by email at least twenty four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the Board meeting. If the individual wants to provide any written materials to the Board, these should be emailed to the School Leader at least twenty-four (24) hours before the scheduled start of the meeting.

The total time for any individual to present, either in person or via telephone, on an item on the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes, or six (6) minutes if the individual requesting to comment is a non English speaker and requires a translator, unless the Board grants additional time. However, in compliance with Board policy and the Brown Act, the Board is not permitted to discuss or take action on non-agenda items. Individuals desiring to make a formal presentation to the Board on an item not on the agenda but desiring it be placed on the agenda must provide notice and written submissions detailing the subject of the presentation to the School Leader at least fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Any such presentations shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes in duration, unless otherwise permitted by the Chair.

To view the Board Public Comment Policy, visit the CalOPS Governance Page at californiaops.org/governance.

No requests for public comment were submitted in advance. No member of the public was present in person.

III. Oral Reports

A. Superintendent's Report

R. Savage presented general school updates, including improving program interfaces, technology distribution, and internal processes. Systems are functioning, but leadership wants to improve them. Enrollment closed Friday due to reaching 8500 students (up to 8600 this week) being that is what the school is staffed for.

Two weeks ago, CalOPS had the Oversight Visit with Capistrano USD. It went very well and relationships are developing with the new Director of Charter Schools and Superintendent. Presentation was received positively. Annual Oversight Visit with Ripon USD will be later this week. Their Superintendent is retiring, but the relationship remains healthy.

B. Principals' Report (attached)

M. Brockway offered updates at the High School level. He noted planning for the end of the school year. He also gave shout outs to all of his Assistant Principals for their hard work.

H. Tamayo offered updates at the Middle School level. She noted the efforts towards getting students on camera for proctored assessments. PFT has just been completed, and the team is investigating new curriculum options for Science, Social Studies, and English and Language Arts. She also gave kudos to Assistant Principals for work supporting families.

M. White offered updates at the Elementary School level. He thanked teachers for onboarding students throughout this year and mentioned preparations for proctored assessments. He invited the Board to come and sit in on a LiveClass.

C. Charter Impact Financial Report for CalOPS

K. Eng presented the 2nd Interim Financial Report, covering actuals through the month of January. There were minimal changes; negligible increase in attendance versus prior projections, increased revenue due to SPED formula adjustments and grade band shifts, increased expenses due to SPED services.

Highlights:

- **Attendance:** Projections **minimally increased(+0.3%)** to prior month, though shares shifted between grade bands
- **Revenue: +\$3.0M (+3%),** driven by SPED funding adjustments + grade band share shifts
- **Expenses:+\$4.2M (+4%),** driven by SPED services
- **Surplus: \$4.9M** (4.6% of expenses)
- **Ending Fund balance: \$30.4M**

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- **Cash: \$38.8M** as of 1/31

D. Policy, Compliance, and Legislative Updates

D. Hertzler presented his updates. He noted that updated Board Policies on this agenda are being brought to the board after confirming they aligned with the Board Bylaws recently approved. Also noted the Title IX Policy which has been updated per current Ed Code and legislation.

For compliance updates, he noted that CLA presented at CCSA with current and proposed changes for audits and compliance. He will be working through that information to ensure compliance for next year's audit.

In regard to legislative changes, highlights included 2500 proposed bills with CCSA monitoring ~170, and 47 of them are high priority. AB 1493, AB 84, SB 414, SB 719 will be ones to watch closely. D. Hertzler and E. McGahey have been working on advocacy, introducing CalOPS to all new State Senators and Assemblypeople and setting up meetings with those interested.

He reminded the board to fill out their Form 700s and they are due by the end of the month.

E. Educational Services Update

L. Dombek presented the School Enhancement Target Review for Quarter 2.

Highlights:

- Grad Rate - Every 10 weeks, 68% of 12th grade students in their 4th year of high school will be on track for graduation.
 - Goal met
- Academic - Every 10 weeks, 50% of PLC SMART goals (math and schoolwide) will be met.
 - Goal met
- Engagement - Every 10 weeks, 90% of students will receive 5 successful contacts.
 - Goal not met
 - Working to ensure current processes are accurately logging every contact
 - Expected that percentages will rise with proctored assessments

IV. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes from the February 11, 2025 CalOPS Board Meeting (attached)

B. Ratification of Special Education Service Contracts (attached)

C.

Approval of Staffing Report (attached)

- D. Approval of Expenditures over \$20k (attached)**
- E. Approval of Check Registry**
- F. Approval of Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement with Saddleback Community College (attached)**
- G. Approval of Title IX Policy (attached)**
- H. Approval of CalOPS Employee Relocation and Hiring Policy (attached)**
- I. Approval of Board Policies (attached)**

E. Wickliffe made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Items A-I.

D. Rivas seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

- A. Pulsipher Aye
- D. Rivas Aye
- P. Pulsipher Aye
- M. Henjum Absent
- J. Stockdale Aye
- E. Wickliffe Aye

V. Action Items

A. Approval of 2nd Interims (attached)

E. Wickliffe made a motion to approve Action Item A, 2nd Interims.

A. Pulsipher seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

- A. Pulsipher Aye
- E. Wickliffe Aye
- P. Pulsipher Aye
- D. Rivas Aye
- J. Stockdale Aye
- M. Henjum Absent

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

E. Wickliffe made a motion to adjourn the CalOPS Board Meeting.

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P. Pulsipher seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

E. Wickliffe Aye

M. Henjum Absent

P. Pulsipher Aye

J. Stockdale Aye

A. Pulsipher Aye

D. Rivas Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Stockdale