

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

**STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
OKLAHOMA HISTORY CENTER
800 NAZIH ZUHDI DR.
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

February 12, 2024

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in regular session at 1:00 p.m. on February 12, 2024 in the Oklahoma History Center at 800 Nazih Zuhdi Dr., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 12:25 p.m. on February 7, 2024.

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Present:

Robert Franklin
William Pearson
Brian Shellem

Others in Attendance:

Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director
Amy Gibson, Secretary to the Board
Skyler Lusnia, Financial Compliance Auditor
Lecrecia Schmidt, Operations Officer
Jaycie Smith, Academic Compliance Officer
Diane Walker, ThrivePointOK
Bryson Hunt, OKCCA
Elaine Harris, OKCCA
Darla Gardner, OKCCA
Aaron Ritter, ThrivePoint
Angela Garcia, ThrivePoint
Dr. Amy Schlessman, ThrivePoint
Eric Clapeck, ThrivePoint
Jason Elliott, ThrivePoint
Shannon Smith, ThrivePoint
Tim Smith, ThrivePoint
Rachel Pitchford, ThrivePoint
Brenda, Congo, ThrivePoint
Lorna Bryant, OKCCA
Jarrett Jobe, OKCCA
Jeremy Johnson, ThrivePoint
Dan Myers, ThrivePoint
Eileen Sigmund, Pearson
Kathren Stehno, Gateway to Success
Bill Hickman, Hickman Law
Lindsey Thompson, ThrivePoint
Kathy Cahill
Lynn Poinsett, Agency Owner
Bennett Brinkman, NonDoc Media
Angie Thomas, Realtor
Abby Moua, Gateway for Success
Melissa Gregory, OK Connections
Rebecca James, OK Connections
Emre Ozturk, Dove Virtual Academy

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Dr. Franklin called the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board regular meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Roll was called and ascertained there was a quorum.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT

Ms. Gibson read the Statement of Compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, SALUTE TO THE OKLAHOMA STATE FLAG, AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Dr. Franklin led board members and all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag, a salute to the Oklahoma flag, and a moment of silence.

4. Presentation, discussion, and possible action on minutes of the October 9, 2023, Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Regular Board Meeting

Mr. Pearson moved to approve the January 8, 2024 minutes as presented. Mr. Shellem seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Dr. Franklin	Yes
Mr. Shellem	Yes
Mr. Pearson	Yes

5. OPENING COMMENTS

Dr. Franklin welcomed those in attendance. Dr. Franklin congratulated Ms. Nellie Sanders on her appointment as Oklahoma Secretary of Education. He informed members of the board and audience that Ms. Sanders would continue to attend SVCSB meetings as her time permitted, and mentioned she is now an Ex-officio Nonvoting Member of the SVCSB in her role as Secretary of Education.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7. ADMINISTRATION

a. Presentation and possible discussion related to the Horizon Digitally Enhanced Campus program platform to include digital tools accessible to Oklahoma schools and students including Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools for learning.

Dr. Daniels presented information on AI and digital tools that could be purchased and made available to Oklahoma schools at no cost to them through the Horizon Digitally: Enhance Campus.

b. (Action) Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding certification of online Courses.

Dr. Daniels presented the 78 courses for the SVCSB board members to review. She mentioned that all 78 met the threshold for certification and that 23 of those courses are Horizon Advanced Placement courses. Mr. Pearson made a motion to approve. Mr. Shellem seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mr. Shellem	Yes
Dr. Franklin	Yes
Mr. Pearson	Yes

c. Presentation and possible discussion regarding the Oklahoma Career Connections Academy (OKCCA) Application for Initial Authorization

Dr. Wilkinson asked the staff of OKCCA to come to the podium. Dr. Wilkinson briefly explained the initial application process and timeline. Brysn Hunt, President of OKCCA's governing board introduced himself and other board members. Mr. Hunt read the proposed mission of OKCCA and reviewed key elements of their initial application. Other team members presented application information.

d. Presentation and possible discussion regarding the Pathways Gateway for Success Application for Initial Authorization

Dr. Wilkinson called for the staff of Gateway for Success to come to the podium. Dr. Kathren Stehno and Abby Moua presented the mission of the proposed charter school. They touched on financial points, as well as primary goals.

e. Presentation and possible discussion regarding the ThrivePoint Academy of Oklahoma Application for Initial Authorization

Diane Walker of ThrivePoint Academy introduced members of their potential school board. Each member, as well as leaders from ThrivePoint schools in Arizona and California, presented supplemental information from the January 8, 2024 SVCSB regular board meeting presentation.

8. New Business

No new business

9. Adjournment

Mr. Shellem moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Pearson seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Ms. Sanders	Yes
Mr. Shellem	Yes
Mr. Pearson	Yes
Dr. Franklin	Yes

Meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m. on January 8, 2024.

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Robert Franklin, Chairman of the Board

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Amy Gibson, Secretary of the Board