

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD, ROOM 1-20
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

September 12, 2017

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in regular session at 1:02 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, in the State Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, September 8, 2017.

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Present:

Mathew Hamrick
John Harrington
Ethan Lindsey

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Absent:

Debbie Long
Pamela Vreeland

Others in Attendance:

Dr. Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director
Lynn Stickney, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Lisa Daniels, OSOCP Specialist
Marc Pate, Assistant Attorney General
Tammy Shepherd, Superintendent, Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)
Sheryl Tatum, Head of School, Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy (OVCA)
David Chaney, Superintendent, Epic Charter School
Dr. Daniel Craig, Oklahoma Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA)
Angie Bookout, Oklahoma Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA)
Colleen Cook, Public School Options
Ivy Riggs, Oklahoma Education Association (OEA)
Tile Tilley, ECapitol
Other general public

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mr. Hamrick called the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board regular meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. Roll was called and ascertained there was a quorum.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT

Lynn Stickney, Secretary to the Board, 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

Mr. Hamrick 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. AUGUST 15, 2017 STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Harrington made a motion to approve the August 15, 2017 minutes. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes

5. OPENING COMMENTS

Mr. Hamrick asked to keep Ms. Long and Ms. Vreeland in our thoughts as they are absent today.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

7. ADMINISTRATION

a. Presentation and report regarding monthly operations of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board (SVCSB) office and possible discussion

Dr. Wilkinson, Executive Director shared the story of rural students who are able to participate in the rodeo circuit through access to online education.

b. Presentation and possible action regarding ABLE Charter School Closure Report

Dr. Wilkinson updated the Board regarding the ABLE Charter School closure. The final ABLE Charter School Board Meeting was held on August 21, 2017. The school is now closed.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

c. Presentation and possible discussion regarding Oklahoma Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA) School Performance Report for Insight School of Oklahoma (ISOK)

Dr. Dan Craig, Office of Educational Quality and Accountability, (OEQA) presented the Insight School of Oklahoma (ISOK) Performance Report.

d. Presentation and possible action regarding reauthorization of Epic Charter School

Mr. David Chaney presented a summary report of Epic Charter School to the Board in support of reauthorization.

e. Discussion and possible action regarding Charter Contract between the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and Epic Charter School Governing Board

Dr. Wilkinson provided the Board with a proposed Charter Contract with Epic Charter School.

After Board discussion, Dr. Lindsey moved to accept the contract between the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and Community Strategies, Inc. for a seven (7) year contract with amendment of 1.6 as presented by Dr. Wilkinson. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion failed with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	No
Ethan Lindsey	Yes

The Board continued discussion, and Mr. Harrington moved to accept the contract as presented with the change to 1.6. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes

f. Discussion and possible action regarding Statewide Virtual Charter School Board expenditures

Dr. Wilkinson provided the Board with information related to the SVCSB Revolving Fund Account 803 balance.

After Board discussion, Dr. Lindsey moved to return 80% of available funds to the schools based on the October Child Count. The schools would submit a report to the SVCSB within three (3) months outlining how funds were or will be used and a follow-up report submitted in twelve (12) months. Mr. Hamrick seconded the motion. The motion failed with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	No
Ethan Lindsey	Yes

After further discussion the Board asked the Executive Director, Dr. Wilkinson, to seek a time the week of September 18 for a special meeting of the Board to further discuss.

j. Discussion and possible action to certify supplemental online courses

Dr. Lisa Daniels updated the Board regarding the Oklahoma Supplemental Online Course Program and provided the Board a list of proposed courses for certification.

Mr. Harrington moved to certify the proposed courses. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.


9. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dr. Lindsey moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:54 p.m. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes



Mathew Hamrick, Chairman of the Board



Lynn Stickney, Secretary of the Board