

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the

**STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD, ROOM 1-20
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

August 15, 2017

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in special session at 1:02 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 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 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Present:

Mathew Hamrick
John Harrington
Ethan Lindsey
Debbie Long
Pamela Vreeland

Others in Attendance:

Dr. Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director
Dr. Lisa Daniels, OSOCP Specialist, alternate Secretary to the Board
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
Trent England, Parent of OVCA students
Cheryl England, Parent of OVCA students
Kristi Gifford, OVCA
Hayley Jones, CCOSA
Nick Singer, Oklahoma Education Association (OEA)
Colleen Cook, Public School Options
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

Dr. Daniels 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. MAY 9, 2017 STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Harrington made a motion to approve the May 9, 2017 minutes as presented. Ms. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

5. OPENING COMMENTS

Mr. Hamrick thanked everyone for their willingness to move the meeting date on short notice. He also recognized Mr. Harrington for his leadership as Board Chairman from 2013-2017.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Miss Lydia England, Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy (OVCA) student, spoke in support of the OVCA contract renewal.

7. ADMINISTRATION

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

1. Dr. Wilkinson, Executive Director, updated the Board on virtual charter school enrollment.
2. Dr. Wilkinson updated the Board on several legislative bills from the past Legislative Session.
3. Dr. Wilkinson updated the Board on special education professional development provided by Kansas University Center for Students with Disabilities and Online Learning.
4. Dr. Wilkinson shared stories of at-risk children enrolled in virtual charter schools.

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 is scheduled for August 21, 2017 where action is scheduled for final school closure.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

c. Presentation and possible action regarding reauthorization of Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy (OVCA)

Ms. Sheryl Tatum presented a summary report of Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy to the Board in support of reauthorization.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

d. Discussion and possible action regarding Charter Contract between the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and the Oklahoma Virtual Charter School Governing Board

Dr. Wilkinson provided the Board with a proposed Charter Contract. She recommended approval of a five (5) year term for OVCA.

Ms. Long moved to accept the contract between the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and Oklahoma Virtual Charter School Governing Board with two (2) amendments: 7.8 to reflect 3% Oversight Fee subject to yearly renewal or consideration and 8.4.1 to add specific timeframe language.

Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion.

After Board discussion, Ms. Long formally withdrew her motion and requested to make another motion.

Ms. Long moved to accept the contract as presented with a change to 8.4.1 to add specific timeframe language. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

e. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed Emergency Rule changes to the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Administrative Rules Title 777:10-3-3

Mr. Pate explained Title 777:10-3-3 and recommended language be changed from "common education" to "Pre-kindergarten to 12th grade" and reviewed the Emergency Rule process.

Mr. Harrington moved to accept the Emergency Rule changes to Title 777:10-3-3. Ms. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

f. Discussion and possible action on proposed Permanent Rule changes to the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Administrative Rules Title 777:10-3-3

Mr. Pate requested to start the Permanent Rulemaking process for Administrative Rule Title 777:10-3-3.

Ms. Long moved to start the Permanent Rulemaking process. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

g. Discussion and possible action on proposed Permanent Rule changes to the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Administrative Rules Title 777:10-3-4(d)

Mr. Pate explained the Board did not vote on 777:10-3-4(d) when the Board voted on the Permanent Rules at the February 2017 Board Meeting. Therefore, this section was removed from the Permanent Rules and required a new vote.

Mr. Harrington moved to commence the process to make the proposed change to 777:10-3-4. Ms. Vreeland seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

h. Discussion and possible action on Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Liaison/Attestation Officer

Mr. Pate explained the necessity to designate a Liaison and Attestation Officer for the SVCSB.

Dr. Lindsey moved to appoint Dr. Rebecca Wilkinson as the Liaison Officer, Ms. Lynn Stickney, the Attestation Officer, and Dr. Lisa Daniels as the alternate. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

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Ms. Long asked for a short recess, at 2:10 p.m. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

The meeting was reconvened at 2:16 p.m. and roll was called. The following members were present:

Mathew Hamrick
John Harrington
Ethan Lindsey
Debbie Long
Pamela Vreeland

i. Discussion and possible action regarding surplus funds in the Board's revolving account

Mr. Hamrick explained he requested this item be placed on the agenda.

Dr. Lindsey moved to have Dr. Wilkinson complete a needs analysis with the schools and counsel explore options and limitations. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes

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
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	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 3:00 p.m. Mr. Harrington seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

Mathew Hamrick	Yes
John Harrington	Yes
Ethan Lindsey	Yes
Debbie Long	Yes
Pam Vreeland	Yes



Mathew Hamrick, Chairman of the Board



Lynn Stickney, Secretary of the Board