

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

**February 13, 2018**

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in special session at 2:04 p.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 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 10:30 a.m. on Friday, February 9, 2018.

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Present:

Mathew Hamrick  
Ethan Lindsey  
Debbie Long  
Pamela Vreeland

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Absent:

John Harrington

Others in Attendance:

Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director  
Lynn Stickney, Secretary to the Board  
Marc Pate, Assistant Attorney General  
David Chaney, Superintendent, Epic Charter School  
Tammy Shepherd, Principal, Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)  
Bryce Adams, Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)  
Sheryl Tatum, Head of School, Oklahoma Virtual Charter Academy (OVCA)  
Trent Ratterree, Oklahoma Education Association (OEA)  
Other general public

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mr. Hamrick called the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board regular meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. Roll was called and ascertained there was a quorum.

**2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT**

Ms. Stickney 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. a. Discussion and possible action on minutes of the November 7, 2017  
Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Regular Board Meeting**

Ms. Long made a motion to accept the November 7, 2017 minutes as presented. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**5. OPENING COMMENTS**

Mr. Hamrick thanked board members for their attendance.

**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. Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director**

1. Dr. Wilkinson, Executive Director, provided the Board an update on the October 1 student enrollment in virtual charter schools.
2. Dr. Wilkinson, Executive Director, provided an update on Board membership. She acknowledged Secretary of Education and Workforce Natalie Shirley and thanked her for her service. She welcomed Secretary of State, Education and Workforce Dave Lopez to the Board.
3. Dr. Wilkinson shared a story of a family who has three (3) children enrolled in a virtual charter school. The family is enjoying the added level of parent participation and the flexibility of schedule where the children can participate in extra-curricular areas of interest.

**b. Presentation and possible action regarding 2018 Legislative Bills**

Dr. Wilkinson updated the Board on 2018 Legislative Bills that relate to education. There was no discussion.

**c. Discussion and possible discussion regarding reauthorization of  
Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)**

Ms. Tammy Shepherd presented a summary report of Oklahoma Connections Academy to the Board in support of reauthorization. There was no discussion.

**d. Discussion and possible action regarding reauthorization of Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA)**

Dr. Wilkinson updated the Board regarding the proposed reauthorization of Oklahoma Connections Academy and recommended the Board reauthorize Oklahoma Connections Academy for a five-year term. There was no discussion.

Dr. Lindsey moved to renew the Charter Contract with Oklahoma Connections Academy for a five-year term. Ms. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**e. Discussion and possible action regarding Charter Contract between the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board and the Oklahoma Connections Academy (OKCA) Governing Board**

Dr. Wilkinson provided the Board with the proposed Charter Contract with Oklahoma Connections Academy Governing Board.

After Board discussion, Mr. Hamrick moved to table the approval of contract pending review of language on section 8.12.2. Ms. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**f. Discussion and possible action regarding ABLE Charter School inventory**

Dr. Wilkinson and Mr. Pate provided the Board with a list of ABLE Charter School inventory and recommended the inventory be declared as State Surplus.

After Board discussion, Ms. Long moved to declare ABLE Charter School inventory as surplus and to declare list of inventory not surrendered to the SVCSB as missing property. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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



**8. PERMANENT RULEMAKING AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments

**PERMANENT RULEMAKING**

**Hearing and consideration of public comments, discussion and possible vote to adopt proposed amendments to Title 777 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code as presented or as may be revised after public hearing and discussion. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed rule changes and the following motions were made:**

**The rule-making public hearing for OAC 777:10-3-3 commenced.**

Mr. Pate and Dr. Wilkinson shared public comments. The Board discussed and recommended changes for OAC 777:10-3-3.

Dr. Lindsey moved to accept 777:10-3-3 as proposed. Ms. Vreeland seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**The rule-making public hearing for OAC 777:10-3-4 commenced.**

Mr. Pate and Dr. Wilkinson shared public comments. The Board discussed and recommended changes for OAC 777:10-3-4.

Ms. Long moved to accept 777:10-3-4 as amended. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

**The rule-making public hearing for OAC 777:10-3-5 commenced.**

There were no public comments. The Board discussed and recommended changes for OAC 777:10-3-5.

Ms. Vreeland moved to accept 777:10-3-5 as presented. Ms. Long seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

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**9. NEW BUSINESS**

No new business.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Ms. Long moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:51 p.m. Dr. Lindsey seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

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

  
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Matthew Hamrick, Chairman of the Board

  
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Lynn Stickney, Secretary of the Board