

**Our Community School
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, August 27, 2025 at 6:30 pm**

**ON-SITE MEETING LOCATION
OUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MPR (Multi Purpose Room)
10045 Jumilla Ave, Chatsworth, CA 91311**

SATELLITE MEETING LOCATIONS
(required for board members joining
remotely)

OUTSIDE LA COUNTY:
923 Puerto Place, Ventura, CA 93001

Community Members may choose to join in-person or via Zoom Meeting at:
<https://ourcommunityschool-org.zoom.us/j/81253770611?pwd=IWofnNJ0h6uZRaQ5RvDBunDS1dPFHe.1>

**Meeting ID: 812 5377 0611
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https://drive.google.com/drive/u/3/folders/1uQopgGKojg72s6LNjxz-c_QjWxCQXqSq

Meeting called to order: 6:34 pm

Board Members Present: Judy Kogan, Yi Ding, David Connelly, Greg Knotts, Tamara Schiff, Kimberli Robinson

Board Members Absent: Kelly Simon

School Staff Present: Carey Bartlow (Virtually), Principal; Deja Munn (Virtually) Faculty Advisors; **Community Advisors Present:** Irina Castillo, ExEd; Ryan French & Tina Herrera, Panda Partners Co-Presidents

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

I. Greetings and Welcome to the 2025-2026 School Year

- II. **Community Speakers** (3 minutes each) - Any member of the public may comment on anything within the board’s jurisdiction during the public comment period. Those who wish to comment may either use the “raise hand” tool (for virtual attendees) or the sign up sheet (provided at in-person meetings). Each individual is allotted up to three (3) minutes, and the public comments section of our meetings may be limited to a reasonable amount of time as determined by the board. While the board cannot respond to any comments made by the public (per the Ralph M. Brown Act), speakers are welcome to follow up with the board chair(s) via email unless directed otherwise.

- III. **Reading of the OCS Mission and Vision** (3 mins)
 - A. Mission Statement: Our Community School guides our students to be Empowered, Ethical, and Informed community members. Our diverse and caring community integrates academics with creativity, thereby fostering independent thinkers, problem solvers, and leaders. We nurture multiple aspects of a child’s development: physical, emotional, intellectual, artistic, and social.
 - B. Vision Statement: OCS staff members, students, and families strive to create a culture of acceptance and belonging where all students are honored. OCS Community members will be given the tools and support to positively impact their local and global communities by being Empowered, Ethical, and Informed.

- IV. **Consent Agenda** (3 mins) The following item(s) may be adopted by a single vote of the board, or any item(s) may be pulled off of consent by any member’s request (without any need for a vote to pull from consent).
 - A. **Approve** Minutes for June 25, 2024 Board Meeting
 - B. **Approve** Agenda for August 27, 2025 Board Meeting

Motion to approve with amendment Minutes for June 25, 2025: David
 Seconded: Tamara

Approved by Roll Call Vote: Judy Kogan, Yi Ding, David Connelly, Greg Knotts, Kimberli Robinson, Tamara Schiff

- V. **Governance Committee** (10 mins) The Board will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the report provided by the Governance Committee Chair
 - A. **Governance Committee Meeting Report:** A brief report and discussion about the governance meeting actions being taken/considered.

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- B. Board Retreat Update
- C. Board Member Recruitment

- VI. **Finance Committee** (20 mins) The Board will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the report provided by the Finance Committee
 - A. **Finance Committee Meeting Report:** A brief report and discussion about the finance meeting actions being taken/considered.

- B. **June Financials:** The Board will **review and vote** to approve the June Financials, including the financial dashboard as prepared by ExEd, check register, and credit card register.

Motion to approve with amendment Minutes for June 25, 2025: David

Seconded: Tamara

Approved by Roll Call Vote: Judy Kogan, Yi Ding, David Connelly, Greg Knotts, Kimberli Robinson, Tamara Schiff

- C. **OCS FY 2024-25 Unaudited Actuals:** The Board will **review and vote** to approve the FY 2024-25 unaudited actuals as submitted to LAUSD.

Motion to approve with amendment Minutes for June 25, 2025: David

Seconded: Greg

Approved by Roll Call Vote: Judy Kogan, Yi Ding, David Connelly, Greg Knotts, Kimberli Robinson, Tamara Schiff

- D. **OCS FY 2024-25 Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools Report:** The Board will **review and vote** to approve the Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools Report.

Motion to approve with amendment Minutes for June 25, 2025: David

Seconded: Kimberli

Approved by Roll Call Vote: Judy Kogan, Yi Ding, David Connelly, Greg Knotts, Kimberli Robinson, Tamara Schiff

VII. **School Leadership Report from OCS Executive Director, Carey Bartlow** (40 mins)

The Board will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the Executive Director Report, summarizing any updates and actions taken during the month and any recommendations to the Board.

A. Operational and Compliance Update

B. Charter Oversight Annual Visit - We got all 4s on all categories (the best of all years!)

C. Educational Program Update

D. Special Education Program Update

VIII. **Board Chair Report** (10 min) The Board will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the report provided by the Board Chair, summarizing any updates and actions taken during the month and any recommendations to the Board.

A. Strategic Plan Task Force

IX. **Panda Partners** (5 min) the Board will be given an opportunity to ask questions about the Panda Partner's report, given by Panda Partner Co-Presidents Ryan French and/or Tina Herrera, summarizing any updates and actions taken during the month.

X. **Announcements and Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at: 7:26pm