

# **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL**

Yuma Private Industry Council, Administration Building  
3834 W. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Yuma, AZ 85364

Meeting Link:

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June 14, 2023

8:00 a.m.

## **MINUTES**

### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Steven M. Miller called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Steven M. Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **III. ROLL CALL**

The roll was called, and those present and absent were:

<b><u>Members Present:</u></b>	<b><u>Members Absent:</u></b>
Jesus G. Figueroa (Virtually-7:59 a.m.), Steven M. Miller (In Person-7:50 a.m.), Michael J. Sabath (Virtually-7:57 a.m.),	Antonio Zuniga (Excused) Judith Castro (Excused)

**Thereby, a quorum was established.**

#### **Staff/Guest Present (Virtually):**

Cesar Ruiz, YPIC

Elicia Page, YPIC

Gary Gammel, YPIC

Alicia Huizar, Contract Manager

Steve Barba, Finance & Accounting Manager

Brian Grossenburg, Principal

Patrick Goetz, Operations Director

Nidia Herrera, Executive Director

Beatriz Aguilar, Clerk of the Board

### **IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

### **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Steven M. Miller asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 10, 2023 meeting.

Michael J. Sabath moved to approve the minutes from the meeting of May 10, 2023; seconded by Jesus G. Figueroa. The motion passed.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:02 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**VI. SCHOOL PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Principal Brian Grossenburg reported the following:

**A. Enrollment Update**

Principal Grossenburg informed enrollment is at 103.

**B. Community and Staff Survey Results on Clear Backpack Policy**

Principal Grossenburg presented the Community and Staff Survey Results on Clear Backpack Policy. Survey results sheet is attached.

Michael J. Sabath asked what is the reason the school would like to implement this policy. Principal replied weapons and drugs. A discussion took place regarding the clear backpack policy.

**C. 2023-2024 Student Handbook**

Principal Grossenburg shared the updates and additions in the following areas of the handbook,

- The Arizona State Board for Charter Schools suggested to parallel what is in the enrollment form into the handbook in regards to enrollment
- Revised the cell phone policy
- Added examples of hate violence, hostile harassment and sexual harassment

**D. Suspension and Discipline Report**

The summary of suspension for May 2023. The report is as follows:

<b>Suspension Type</b>	<b>Disruption/Defiance</b>	<b>Threat/Intimidation</b>	<b>Fight/Assault</b>	<b>Drugs</b>	<b>Gang Identification/Activity</b>	<b>Other</b>
Short-Term Suspension	0	0	0	0	0	0
Long-Term Suspension	0	0	0	0	0	0
Recommendation for Expulsion	0	0	0	0	0	0
Awaiting Disciplinary Hearings	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alternative Learning – Short Term	0	0	0	0	0	0
Alternative Learning – Long Term	0	0	0	0	0	0

Principal Grossenburg stated there were a lot of behavior interventions and also thanked all the staff that assisted with the students to make sure there were no conflicts.

**E. Next Meeting Date:** Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. via Zoom.

**VII. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Student Activities Account for Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School for the period of May 31, 2023, in the amount of \$7,080.72.**

Patrick Goetz recommended the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School approve the May 31, 2023 balance of \$7,080.72.

Steven M. Miller asked for the approval of the consent action items as presented.

Jesus G. Figueroa moved to approve the consent action items as presented; seconded by Michael J. Sabath. The motion passed.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:24 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**VIII. DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Expenditures for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School for the period ending May 31, 2023, in the amount of \$1,185,393.**

Patrick Goetz recommended the Governing Board of the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School approve the expenditures as presented for the year-to-date period ending May 31, 2023 in the amount of \$1,185,393.

Expenses are at 88%, at 88% of the school year.

Steven M. Miller asked for a motion to approve the expenditures for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School for the period ending May 31, 2023 in the amount of \$1,185,393.

Michael J. Sabath moved to approve the expenditures for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School for the period ending May 31, 2023; seconded by Jesus G. Figueroa. The motion passed.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:27 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**B. 2023-2024 Student Handbook**

Patrick Goetz recommended the Governing Board of the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School approve the 2023-2024 Student Handbook for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School.

Steven M. Miller asked for a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Student Handbook for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School.

Jesus G. Figueroa moved to approve the 2023-2024 Student Handbook for the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School; seconded by Michael J. Sabath. The motion passed.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:28 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**C. FY 2023-2024 Proposed Budget**

Patrick Goetz recommended the Governing Board of the Educational Opportunity Center Charter High School approve the FY 2023-2024 Proposed Budget.

Steven M. Miller asked for a motion to approve the FY 2023-2024 Proposed Budget.

Jesus G. Figueroa moved to approve the FY 2023-2024 Proposed Budget; seconded by Michael J. Sabath. The motion passed.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:29 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**IX. OTHER INFORMATION OR DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Alicia Huizar informed the Board, the organization will be contracting Arizona Southwest Patrol for an armed security guard; the contract should begin in August.

Jesus G. Figueroa asked when does the next school year begin. Principal Grossenburg replied the next school year begins on August 3, 2023.

**X. GOOD OF THE ORDER**

Principal Grosseberg informed the Board, the school was approved for two competitive grants and provided the following information;

- First grant should be about about 200,500 extra funds for the school, will be used to continue the work with the consultant and will bring in a full time caseworker/case manager to provide individual services to students
- Second grant will be able to employ an attendance coordinator to assist with reducing chronic absenteeism
- Will be receiving quotes/bids to install security on the windows and doors of the school
- Thanked everyone who attended graduation this year, 30 students graduated and is working with 2 to 3 more students that are close to graduating

Steven M. Miller informed the Board, this meeting is the last meeting he will be attending as he is retiring and he thanked everyone for the hard work everyone does.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Steven M. Miller asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Michael J. Sabath made the motion which was seconded by Jesus G. Figueroa. The motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:34 a.m.

VOICE VOTE: The motion carried 3-0 at 8:34 a.m. (Yes-Jesus G. Figueroa, Steven M. Miller & Michael J. Sabath)

**Respectfully submitted by; Beatriz Aguilar, Clerk of the Board.**



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## **Survey Report**

### **Clear Backpacks to Improve School Safety**

**Background:** A member of the safety committee proposed the school survey students, staff and community to determine the willingness to implement a clear backpack policy only. From May 1st to May 26, students, staff and the community had the ability to submit a survey that indicated whether they would support the implementation of a clear backpack policy if the school purchased the first clear backpack for each Student.

#### **Student Survey Results**

(63 surveys returned out of 106 surveys distributed)

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>21%</b>	<b>79%</b>

#### **Parent Survey Results**

(37 surveys returned out of 83 surveys distributed)

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>35%</b>	<b>65%</b>

#### **Staff Survey Results**

(10 surveys returned out of 10 surveys distributed)

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Uncertain</b>
<b>80%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>10%</b>

#### **Comments:**

1. 11 Female students were primarily concerned with feminine hygiene products
2. 6 Female students, 8 male students and 4 parents reported that clear back packs do not last.
3. 16 Female students, 15 male students, and 5 parents reported they believed clear backpacks were an invasión of privacy.
4. 2 staff would be more in favor of a “no backpack” policy as was initiated by Aztec High School.