

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
OKLAHOMA HISTORY CENTER
800 NAZIH ZUHDI DR.
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

June 5, 2023

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in special session at 12:05 p.m. on Monday, June 5, 2023, in the Oklahoma History Center at 800 Nazih Zuhdi Dr., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 31, 2023.

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Present:

Brian Bobek
Robert Franklin
William Pearson
Nellie Tayloe Sanders
Scott Strawn

Others in Attendance:

Rebecca Wilkinson, Executive Director
Skyler Lusnia, Secretary to the Board
Lisa Daniels, Horizon Director
Arden Nerius, Assistant Attorney General
Niki Batt, Deputy Attorney General
Erika Wright, Oklahoma Rural Schools Coalition
Andrea Kunkel, CCOSA
Paul Monies, Oklahoma Watch
Misty Bradley, OKPLAC
Clark Frailey, Pastors for Oklahoma Kids
Bennett Brinkman, NonDoc Media
Amanda Stephens, Bixby Public Schools
John Meiser, St. Isidore
A.J. Ferate, Spencer Fane, LLP
William Ezzell, KFOR
Sean Cummings, Citizen
James Bleecker, Arch OKC
Tyler Outlaw, Oklahoma Education Association
Brett Farley, St. Isidore
Rebekah Farley, St. Isidore
Sarah Franklin, Citizen
Katie Zimdors, Arch OKC
Laura Willis, Parent
Lucia Frohling, Parent
Jennifer Bevenssee, Parent
Michael Scaperlanda, Archdiocese of OKC
Andrea Eger, Tulsa World
Adam Gorms, KFOR
Lara Schuler, Archdiocese of Oklahoma City
Rick Maranon, Fox 23 Tulsa
Allyson Starh, Fox 23 Tulsa

Dale Forbis, Radio Oklahoma Network
Jeanene Barnett, CCOSA
Savannah Stumph, Parent
Nuria Martinez-Keel, The Oklahoman
Stephanie Lippert, Parent
Other general public

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Dr. Franklin called the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board special meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Roll was called and ascertained there was a quorum.

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OKLAHOMA OPEN MEETING ACT

Mr. Lusnia 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

Dr. Franklin 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. PUBLIC COMMENT

The SVCSB heard comments from the following individuals regarding agenda item Administration 6.b.:

Doug Mann, Oklahoma PLAC
Erika Wright, Oklahoma Rural Schools Coalition
Andrea Kunkel, CCOSA
Misty Bradley, OKPLAC
Clark Frailey, Pastors for Oklahoma Kids
Michael Scaperlanda, OU College of Law
A.J. Ferate, Spencer Fane, LLP
Sean Cummings, Self

5. CHAIRMAN COMMENTS – Chairman Robert Franklin

Dr. Franklin welcomed Brian Bobek to the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board. He read the Oath of Office board members have signed. Dr. Franklin referenced SB 516 and referenced the SVCSB statutory duties to review the revised St. Isidore of Seville Catholic Virtual School application to ensure compliance with Statute. Dr. Franklin reminded board members of their oaths and asked Mr. Bobek to abstain in consideration of the application. Dr. Franklin expressed deep respect for the Archdiocese and implored them to begin the virtual school regardless of the vote.

6. ADMINISTRATION

- a. **PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION** pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4), and consistent with 2005 OK AG 29, ¶ 13, for the purpose of confidential communications between the Board and counsel from the Oklahoma Office of the Attorney General concerning threatened, anticipated, or potential legal challenges related the Board’s approval of, disapproval of, decision to take no action on, or other action(s) on the application of St. Isidore of Seville Catholic Virtual Charter School, where counsel has determined that disclosure of information related to the claim(s) or action(s) will seriously impair the ability of the Board to process or conduct litigation in this matter

The Board did not enter Executive Session.

b. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the acceptance or rejection of the St. Isidore of Seville Catholic Virtual School Application for Initial Authorization

Ms. Schuler, Senior Director Department of Catholic Education for the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, presented the St. Isidore of Seville Catholic Virtual School Revised Application and answered questions.

Ms. Batt provided the Board with information from Oklahoma Statute, and the SVCSB Charter Contract template and answered questions.

Dr. Strawn moved to approve the application. Ms. Sanders seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes:

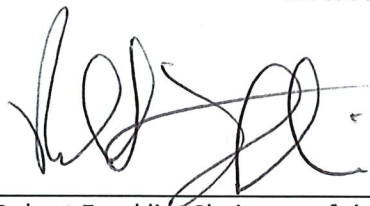
Brian Bobek	Yes
Robert Franklin	No
William Pearson	No
Nellie Tayloe Sanders	Yes
Scott Strawn	Yes

Prior to adjournment, Dr. Franklin read a statement to the Board and those in attendance.

7. ADJOURNMENT

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

Brian Bobek	Yes
Robert Franklin	Yes
William Pearson	Yes
Nellie Tayloe Sanders	Yes
Scott Strawn	Yes



Robert Franklin, Chairman of the Board



Lynn Stickney, Secretary of the Board