Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

STATEWIDE VIRTUAL CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OLIVER HODGE EDUCATION BUILDING 2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD, ROOM 1-20 OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

June 10, 2014

The Statewide Virtual Charter School Board met in regular session at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2014.

The following were present:

Ms. Terrie Cheadle, Secretary to the Board

Members of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board present:

Mr. John Harrington, Edmond

Mr. Jaared Scott, Stillwater

Ms. Pamela Vreeland, Tulsa

Ms. Denise Floyd, Lawton

Ms. Debbie Long, Claremore

Others in attendance are shown as an attachment.

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

John Harrington called the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board regular meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms. Cheadle called the roll and ascertained there was a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, OKLAHOMA FLAG SALUTE, AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

John Harrington 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.

May 13, 2014 Statewide Virtual Charter School Board Regular Meeting Minutes Approved

Denise Floyd corrected that Ms. Long was not present at the meeting and motioned to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2014, Statewide Virtual Charter School Board regular meeting. Pamela Vreeland seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Harrington, yes; Ms. Long, abstain; Mr. Scott, yes; Ms. Vreeland, yes; and Ms. Floyd, yes.

ADMINISTRATION

Title 777 Permanent Rule Adoption

OAC 777:1-1-9. Individual Proceedings – 70 O.S. § 3-145.4,75 O.S. § 302; 305-323Approved

Stephanie Moser Goins, Assistant General Counsel, said the **Track B rules** request was previously presented and tabled at the April 8, 2014, regular meeting pending the outcome of House Bill 2999. The bill did not get to the House floor before Sine Die May 23, 2014, therefore adoption of the rule is recommended.

Debbie Long made a motion to approve the permanent rule adoption request for 777:1-1-9. Jaared Scott seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Harrington, yes; Ms. Long, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Ms. Vreeland, yes; and Ms. Floyd, yes.

Information and update on status of student transfers for Statewide Virtual Charter School Enrollment-Tabled

John Harrington said Kimberly Richey, General Counsel, has advised that the status of student transfers information was still being complied. The item is tabled to be presented at the July 8, 2014 regular meeting.

Information and update on Oklahoma State Department of Education request for Attorney General Opinion on Administration of Statewide Virtual Charter School Board finances

Kimberly Richey, General Counsel, presented the developments of the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) actions to seek a separate operating account for the SVCSB in order to operate into the next fiscal year. In August 2013, Mathangi Shankar, Executive Director, Financial Services corresponded with the Office of Management and Enterprise Services (OMES) with the request that the SVCSB be established and a statewide operating account. There are several sections in the statute that require the Board to have a separate management account. The provisions in the law allow the Board to hire staff after December 31, receive an allocation from OSDE, withhold up to 5% for administrative services, and the remaining funding allocated to charter schools. The statute alludes to the SVCSB assuming all contractual obligations, encumbrances, property, contracts from schools the board sponsors/assumed and will become assumptions of the SVCSB in July 2014. The OSDE from the beginning believed for all these reasons and others that it was important the SVCSB operate independently of the OSDEs financial management. Ms. Richey reviewed and discussed correspondence with OMES, operations account setup/management/allocation, Attorney General Opinion request; transference concerns, and legislative cleanup/changes.

Discussion regarding the January 1, 2015 change in Oklahoma State Department of Education support

John Harrington said his concern is that nothing impedes the SVCSBs ability to exercise its responsibilities. Several factors are at play in considering a direction and shape it will look like, as Ms. Richey alluded to staffing, etcetera, but there is a short time frame to shift from a non-funded Board to a fully functioning one. In recent conversations with OSDE staff, we explored ideas and the willingness to use staff which they have indicated an openness to that idea. A directional decision will need to be thought about and made. One of two paths that can be taken is the startup path; staff recruitment and resource placement. An alternate path would be to contract with the OSDE to use existing staff and resources. There are plus and minuses on both sides, and now is a good time to start discussions on a definite direction.

Board Members discussed budget, funding allocations operating capital/expenditures; staffing, administration, resources; and office space.

Discussion regarding potential updates to the Virtual charter school application process Tabled

John Harrington said the item would be tabled and discussed at the July 8, 2014 regular meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Jaared Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. Pamela Vreeland seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Harrington, yes; Ms. Long, yes; Mr. Scott, yes; Ms. Vreeland, yes; and Ms. Floyd, yes.

The next meeting of the Statewide Virtual Charter School Board will be held on Tuesday, July 8, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will convene at the State Department of Education, 2500 North Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

	John Harrington, Chairperson of the Board
Terrie Cheadle, Secretary to the Board	