

HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT 1J  
CITY VIEW CHARTER SCHOOL RENEWAL REQUEST PUBLIC HEARING—MINUTES  
January 27, 2015  
District Administration Center, 3083 NE 49<sup>th</sup> Place, Hillsboro, Oregon

Board Present:

Kim Strelchun, Chair  
Wayne Clift, Vice Chair  
Monte Akers  
Adriana Cañas  
Glenn Miller  
Erik Seligman  
Janeen Sollman

Others Present:

City View Charter School:

Becky Mills  
Mark Needham  
Larry Thompson  
Todd Sanna  
Kristine Sullens  
Keenan Myers

Melanie Davis

Nancy Hursh

Kathy Mikitka

Grove, Mueller & Swank, PC:

Larry Grant  
Derek Ellerbrook

Irma Alonso

Heriberta Diaz

Laura Gomez

Betsy Julian

Mariah McCarty

Jaime Rodriguez

Devin Hunter, HCU

Maureen Barnhart, HEA

Jill Golay, HEA

Hannah Leone, The Oregonian

Kathy Fuller, Hillsboro Tribune

Staff Present:

Mike Scott, Superintendent  
Debbie Ashley, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Steve Larson, Assistant Superintendent, School Performance  
Adam Stewart, Chief Financial Officer  
Elaine Fox, Executive Director, Student Services  
Travis Reiman, Executive Director, School Performance  
Matt Smith, Executive Director, Secondary Education  
Dayle Spitzer, Executive Director, Elementary Education  
Beth Graser, Director, Communications  
Michelle Morrison, Director, Business Services  
Ann Ballard, Finance Manager  
Sandie Grinnell, TOSA / Science and STE(A)M Coach Leadership  
Laurie Boyd, Assistant to the Superintendent  
Val Bokma, Assistant to the Board  
Zaida Rosa, Bilingual Interpreter and Translator  
Sindy AvilaGutierrez, Parent and Community Engagement Liaison

Board Chair Strelchun convened the City View Charter School (CVCS) Renewal Request Public Hearing at 8:21 p.m. She declared the hearing open, and asked for public testimony.

Keenan Myers spoke in support of City View Charter School, explaining that he attended CVCS during his 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade years, and that the small class sizes allowed staff to identify his learning challenges, and help with the development of solutions. He said that every student should have an opportunity to learn in a situation where classes are small

enough to allow teachers to focus on all students as individuals, helping them to reach their greatest potential.

Jill Golay expressed concerns, on behalf of Hillsboro School District teachers, regarding City View Charter School's request for additional funding. She questioned whether it is a good time to reallocate funds – while the District's budget is uncertain, class sizes are so large, there is a possibility of reduced state funding, and full-day kindergarten will require additional resources. Ms. Golay invited the CVCS community to work with Hillsboro and surrounding communities to advocate for additional funds from legislators, and find new sources of the funding that all Oregon schools need.

Maureen Barnhart reminded Board members that District patrons hold them responsible to make every effort to reduce class size, ensure that school staff members are qualified to meet the diverse needs of students, and ensure that the resources required for students' success are available. Ms. Barnhart described current District needs related to drama, science, split classes, old textbooks, and crowded classrooms. She also described the effects of frustration and stress on teachers whose classes are so large that they cannot reach every child. Ms. Barnhart urged the Board to find non-monetary supports to provide to CVCS.

Receiving no further requests to comment, Board Chair Strelchun adjourned the hearing at 8:31 p.m.



Approved February 24, 2015