

Opportunity Youth Academy
1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, CA 95131

APPROVED

Board Minutes September 10, 2020 – 4 p.m.
Virtual Regular Board Meeting #005

1. Call To Order

a. Roll Call

Member(s) Present: Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.

Attendees: Phil Morales, Steve Olmos, Blanca Morales

b. Agenda Adopted

2. Public Comments

No Comments

3. Public Hearing

a. Holding a Public Hearing on the adoption of the Opportunity Youth Academy Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCP) 2020-2021 presentation by Phil Morales.

The Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan consist of eight parts:

- General Information: OYA has moved from a blending learning model to a distance learning model.
- Stakeholders Engagement: OYA has been focusing on collecting surveys and feedback from parents, students, and staff on their feeling and thoughts on returning back to a blended learning model
- Continuity of Learning In-Person: Planning small group meetings; hybrid scheduling to support our English Learners, and students with IEP
- Continuity of Distance Learning: Providing additional devices and connectivity to continue student participation
- Mental Health and Social and Emotional Well-Being: Providing well-being resources and having virtual outreach gatherings
- Pupil and Family Engagement and Outreach
- School Nutrition: Notified our students of food resources
- Increased or Improved Services for Foster Youth, English Learners, and Low-Income Students: Providing chromebooks and hotspots to our high need population. Our Mental Health Services has increased for support.

Dr. Dewan has asked to ensure there is follow-up steps taken to check that students are connecting with referrals and services, and to modify the LCP to include an action plan around tracking referrals and services being accessed by our students. She also recommended making a priority the hiring of additional Mental Health services given the needs of our students' trauma impacted from COVID-19, separation and isolation, and the racial and equity that has been exacerbated during this time of shelter in place. Additionally provide a timeline with more specificity on what the ideas and resource services are.

Any comments: No Comments at this time.

Public Hearing is now closed; action will be taken to approve the Opportunity Youth Academy Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan at next board meeting scheduled September 24, 2020.

4. Action Items

a. **Renewal of Dashboard Alternative School Status (DASS)**

Three years ago OYA was granted Dashboard Alternative School Status certification. OYA has applied for recertification. We will be submitting the letter to the Santa Clara County Board of Education for submission.

Action to approve the Dashboard Alternative School Status (DASS) application for eligibility certification.

5. Consent Action Items

a. OYA Board June 12, 2020 Minutes Approved (003)

b. OYA Board June 18, 2020 Minutes Approved (004)

6. Informational

a. **Western Association of Schools and College (WASC) Accreditation Status**

Opportunity Youth Academy has received accreditation for a six year term through June 30, 2026.

b. Next board meeting scheduled for September 24, 2020.

7. Meeting Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.

County Superintendent of Schools