

# Classical Education Network (CEN)

MINUTES for Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

January 23, 2023, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

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Meeting ID: 253 267 051 403



Optima Classical Academy at Estero, Lee (MSID: TBD)

Optima Classical Academy, virtual, Collier (MSID: 9040)

	Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
1	Mr. Christopher Hudson	Board Chair	✓			
2	Dr. Laura Pate	Director	✓			
3	Ms. Yvonne Caldwell	Board Secretary	✓			
4	Mr. Glen Gilzean	Director	✓			
5	Ms. Cary Mitchell	Director	✓			

School Personnel in Attendance:	Optima Staff/Guests in Attendance:
Mrs. Erika Donalds, Executive Director	Melissa Arnold,
Dr. Dan Sturdevant, Head of School	Mrs. Susan Turner, OptimaEd Director of Governance & Compliance
	Mrs. Cindy Kuhl, OptimaEd Board Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order by Mr. Hudson at 12:02 p.m.
2. Roll call attendance conducted by Mrs. Kuhl.
3. Community Comment - None
4. New Business
  - a. Summit Construction Contract for Optima Classical Academy at Estero – (vote)  
***Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the Summit Construction Contract with name changes to Optima Classical Academy at Estero by Mr. Gilzean to approve, seconded by Ms. Caldwell, vote: unanimous***
  - b. Financing for Optima Classical Academy at Estero – (vote)  
***Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the financing as presented for Optima Classical Academy at Estero as presented, seconded by Ms. Caldwell, vote: unanimous***  
  
Reimbursement Resolution for Optima Classical Academy at Estero – (vote)  
***Motion made by Dr. Pate to approve the Reimbursement Resolution as presented for Optima Classical Academy at Estero Dr. Pate to approve, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, vote: unanimous***
  - c. Lee County project soft costs and land purchase – (vote)  
***Motion made by Mr. Gilzean to approve the Lee County project soft costs and land purchase as presented, seconded by Dr. Pate, vote: unanimous***

5. Board Comments

- a. Dr. Pate requested that Optima keep the Board updated on the 2023 or 2024 opening status of Estero with a personal preference to hold off until 2024 to ensure that everything is in place and the opening goes smoothly.
- b. Mr. Gilzean wishes everyone a happy and prosperous 2023 and feels it is off to a good start with exciting development and will be a good year.

6. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 12:43 p.m.

*Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 7th, 2022, 2:30-4:00 p.m.*