MINUTES
Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, September 23, 2025
6:00 PM
Samueli Academy
1901 N. Fairview St.
Santa Ana, CA 92706

ROLL CALL

Board of Trustees Present:
Chris Scheithauer
Liz Dorn Parker
Richard Arum
Sandi Jackson
Robert Santana
Susan Samueli

Academy/Orangewood Staff Present:
Anthony Saba
John Luker
Enrique Montiel
Tracy Garcia
Lee Fleming

Board of Trustees Absent:
None

Guests Present:
None

CALL TO ORDER

Chris Scheithauer called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. and welcomed all attendees to the September 23, 2025, meeting of the Samueli Academy Board of Trustees. At the beginning of the meeting and before agenda items that were subject to approval, anyone from the public might address the board for three minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Liz Dorn-Parker made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 26, 2025 Meeting. Sandi Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes, 0 – Nays

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

REPORTS

BOARD CHAIR

None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Anthony Saba presented the Executive Director report. This is a busy time of year on campus. The Samueli Academy Gala is coming up on October 4th. The OCDE visit is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1st. The Charter Renewal is due by Mid October for final reviews. Exciting but busy time.

HEAD OF SCHOOL

Lee Fleming presented the Head of School Report. This week there have been ASB challenges at lunch. The campus has really had fun with these activities this year.

The first Passion Ignition Day was held on campus last week. Lee shared a brief Instagram video that highlighted the activities of the day. Next week is the Senior Internship Fair on campus.

ORANGEWOOD FOUNDATION

Enrique Montiel presented the Orangewood Foundation Update. There was a leak discovered in the dorms and the girls have been moved to the second floor while the repairs are being made. There are 8 total youth in the program. There are currently 15 approved resource homes.

Enrique presented a video that highlights the Youth Connected Program.

All staff have been hired for the new program with Probation.

The LA County Department of Children and Family Services Contract has been signed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

GOVERNANCE

Organizational Chart

The updated Organizational Chart was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Robert Santana to approve the updated Organizational Chart. Sandi Jackson seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

FINANCE

Liz Dorn Parker reviewed the July 2025 Financial Statements.

Anthony Saba reviewed the Annual (Operational) Campaign financial information. It has been a good start to the fiscal year with regard to fundraising.

OCDE Unaudited Actuals 2024-2025

John Luker reviewed the OCDE Unaudited Actuals 2024-2025.

A motion was made by Liz Dorn Parker to approve the OCDE Unaudited Actuals 2024-2025. Susan Samueli seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

2025-2026 EPA Expenditure Plan

John Luker presented the 2025-2026 EPA Expenditure Plan.

Liz Dorn Parker made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 EPA Expenditure Plan. Sandi Jackson seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

Facilities Reserve & Year-End Investment into Operational Endowment

John Luker presented the plan for the facilities reserve account. This account will be listed separately on the balance sheet in a separate account. The proposal is to move $450,000 to a separate investment for the Facilities Reserve. It is also requested to transfer $750,000 of donated dollars (from a separate fundraising account, not state dollars) to the SA Operational Endowment held at Orangewood Foundation.

Liz Dorn Parker made a motion to approve moving $450,000 to a separate investment account for the Facilities reserve and moving $750,000 out of the operating account to the operational endowment. Susan Samueli seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

23-24 and 24-25 Prop 28 Report

John Luker presented the 23-24 and 24-25 Prop 28 report.

Sandi Jackson made a motion to approve the 23-24 and 24-25 Prop 28 report as presented. Liz Dorn Parker seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

ACADEMIC — None

OTHER BUSINESS — None

ADJOURNMENT — Liz Dorn Parker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Richard Arum seconded the motion and the motion carried with a vote of: 6 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

RICHARD ARUM, SECRETARY