

## **New Horizons Board Meeting**

*May 29, 2018*

*Present – Richard Thomas, Stefan Rinka, Dr. Christina Duran, David Sams*

*Others Present: Dawn Bastin, Jannet Curiel, Sandy Mejia, Charlotte Cuevas, Guillermo Gomez, Samantha Shapiro, Yvette Steinorth, Cynthia Ely, Diego Gonzalez, Bea Italia and Doreen Cohen*

*Meeting Commenced at: 04:11 PM*

### **Public Comment**

**Cyndy Ely** – *My main concern is that we have an affordable health care option for next year. Our current options are such, that it is cheaper for me to COBRA from my last school. The younger teachers have a much more fair cost in their program, but older teachers are not able to access the same equity in our program. I pay \$1800 a month for my coverage and it just isn't fair. We need options. I also do not have any access to AFLAC either.*

**Yvette Steinorth** – *I also feel that the insurance situation does not support older teachers, we need options for our teaching team. We also have a cap at ten years, which does not support teachers working for the school, over time.*

### **Approval of the Previous Board Meeting Minutes (April)**

- Motion made to approve – Dr. Duran
- Second – Stefan Rinka
- Motion Carries 3-0 Vote

Dawn Bastain reported on April 2018 Financials – Attendance Rate continues to be strong, unexpected expenses along with decrease in Projected ADA has contributed to the overall deficit in this years budget.

**Financials** – Our ADA is down to 279,000, about \$25,000 less than we originally budgeted. Our deficit will be \$249,000 than budgeted. We have an attendance rate of 94.5%. Our state spending is at \$169,000, the ASIS program generates that. Our fund balance is \$530,000, this is what you have earned since the school has been in place. There were many more additional cost we had to pick-up this year, such as the CVS Parking, but you still have a healthy balance.

Richard Thomas – Can you speak to the increase to the STRS program.

Dawn Bastin – We are moving from a 14% contribution to 16.5% increase in STRS.

Dr. Duran – Richard, Can you look into the ability to provide *Readers* for the LCAP?

Richard Thomas - I will look into that, I was just at a workshop, they did not mention it.

Dr. Duran – Do we have PERS?

Richard Thomas – We do not.

### **Board vote for April Financial Approval**

- Motion made to approve – David Sams
- Second – Dr. Duran
- Motion Carries 3-0

Dawn Bastain shared the Preliminary 2018-2019 School Budget – ADA will be based on Projected Enrollment of 320 Students. Projected second 5<sup>th</sup> Grade class next year. Projected increase in Facilities Cost by \$65,000. Projected increase of 2.5% in salary. Projected increase in legal fees and Special Education costs due to two high profile cases. Projected positive reserve of 15%

**Vote on Preliminary Budget for 2018-2019 School Year**

- Motion made to approve – Dr. Duran
- Second – David Sams
- Motion Carries 3-0

***Executive Report***

***Facility Lease Settlement by Dharma Holdings*** – *Our current lease is not complete, we are 90% there, but the Kumars experienced a family emergency, and we need to complete this by June, when our lease is over. We are also looking at a few other properties as well.*

**Prop 39** – It took the entire year, but we have a new contract for this year. We also have a new new contract for next year, so we are in a better position to move forward for next year.

**ELPAC Testing Update** – We are done with all testing at both schools. This was supposed to be an electronic test, but it wasn't. I am encouraged to see what the new results will be.

**CAASSP Testing Update** – We are nearly complete with CASSPP testing, we begin make-ups tomorrow.

**School Wide Enrollment** – We are actively enrolling students, we have increased our enrollment up to 342 as of today.

*Meeting adjourned at 5:19PM.*

**CLOSED Session: 5:25pm**

**OPEN Session: 7:15pm**

Board Approved Certificated Salary Increase on Salary Schedule for 2018-2019 school year to 2.5%

Board Approved Health Benefits Package for all full-time employees to \$700 per month contribution for 2018-2019 school year

Board Approved – 10 Additional Days beyond 210 Day Contract of Executive Director/Principal at current Daily Rate.

Board Approved Classified Salary Increase for Office Manager for 2018-2019 school year to 3.0%

Board Approved Certificated Salary Increase for Assistant Principal – Fair Ave. for 2018-2019 school year to 5.0%

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