

New Horizons Charter Academy

Board Meeting

October 29, 2019

Meeting Commenced at: 4:08 PM

ROLL CALL: Present, Stuart Cano, David Sams, Dr. Duran, Stephen Rinka, Richard Thomas, Guillermo Gomez, Geetha Huma, Charlotte Cuevas, Bea Italia, Absent: Dr. Castaneda

Public Comments: None

Items for Action

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (September Board Meeting)

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

Financial Report

September 2019 Financials/Highlights (Geetha Huma)

- The average ADA is currently 290 students, slightly higher at 286 students
- Revenue is forecasted at \$3.8M, there are no significant changes from last month's projections for the last year
- Expenses are forecasted at \$3.6, approximately \$43K less than budget
- NHCA surplus forecasted at \$189K, ending fund balance forecasted at \$681K for the fiscal year
- An increase in full-time substitute teachers has NHCA spending \$7K for this quarter
- NHCA salary reductions have less teachers on staff \$10K
- Additional cutbacks in textbooks and supplies and technology were made by 25% - \$39K

Mr. Thomas – NHCA have two very sizable expenses,

- The purchase of a Smart Board for 8th grade at Fair Avenue
- In addition, NHCA must provide transportation for one of our students, also at Fair Avenue

Approval of Financials for September 2019

- Motion made to approve – David Sams
- Second – Dr. Castaneda
- Motion Carries (3-0 votes)

After School Programs

The NHCA previous after school program (YPI), has folded, providing us with little notice. As NHCA were closed due to the fires, we had a total of three days to secure a new program. NHCA now has a program called *Think Together*, that utilizes the same staff to accomplish the same services to our parents. *Think*

Together serves 300 schools throughout California and has been in existence for 20 years. I will be going to LACOE on Thursday to share that we are moving forward with them, as our Option 1.

Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Approving Think Together for Program Services

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

Executive Report

Prop 39 – We will be finalizing our Prop39 Application for facilities by November 1st Deadline, for our co-location site at Fair Avenue.

Professional Development – NHCA had the opportunity to train our teachers in Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS), for our last Pupil Free Professional Development day, and it went very well received by staff.

Formal Evaluations – NHCA will begin its Evaluation Calendar for Winter and will complete this cycle before the Thanksgiving Break.

Silent Auction – NHCA would like to thank Mrs. Curiel, our school President, along with all the other parents who are helping raise funds for classrooms through our Silent Auction, this takes place after our Winter Performance.

Prop 39 – The NHCA allocation fees have been shared with us for each of the last three years. NHCA will keep you apprised what that will look like soon.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM

CLOSED SESSION:

Open Session –

Approval of increase of communication expense reimbursement for Richard Thomas from \$50 to \$100 per month

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

Next Board Meeting – Nov. 19th