

New Horizons Board Meet

March 23, 2020

*Present – Richard Thomas, Guillermo Gomez, Stuart Cano, David Sams, Stephen Rinka
– Phone Conference*

Meeting Commenced at: 12:33 PM

Public Comment: None.

Action Item:

School Closure

Mr. Thomas – I have been in daily phone contact with the Charter School Association, as well as LAUSD. We are keeping up on the main areas that require support for each other, these are daily conversations. Our organizations are not working in isolation. The areas I would like to focus on today are in accordance with our authorizer LAUSD, as well as the County Office. We would like to share

- We will be closed until May 1st.
- We have a co-location site at Fair Avenue, so we will be closed there as well.
- In addition, we have a four-day week next week, so teachers will be continuing with their digital lessons. For the following two weeks, we would not be in session anyway, so we would cease all distance learning for two weeks.
- We are holding zoom lessons presently, and we will continue this until we are told different. We are utilizing our core curriculums and we will continue until Thursday, which begins our Spring Break.
- We have been distributing meals to families, for kids 18 and younger. Th charter community has agreed to distribute food to our families, across Los Angeles, because there are (100) charters to support families in this time of need. We are also working with Fresh Start to provide and distribute food for our families. We will continue to distribute food until Thursday and continue until May 1st.

Items for Action

Approval of Board Meeting to Authorize

1. School Closure remains in effect until May 1st

- Motion made to approve – Stuart Cano
- Second – Stephen Rinka
- Motion Carries (3 votes)

2. The School Board Authorizes the Executive Director to extend the closure date, pass May 1st (if necessary)

- Motion made to approve – Stuart Cano
- Second – Stephen Rinka
- Motion Carries (3 votes)

Mr. Thomas – This next item deals mostly with extended closure, this is what I need your support with, to extend the closure if the District extended this closure date, as well as the ability to deal with certain financial issues.

Stuart Cano – If you wish to extend your authority to extend the school closure for this year, please put that in writing. We have given you the authority to work on Prop 39, but it is a little vague to know what further authority you are asking for. We have met today in emergency session, we can be reached to do so again, if needed.

Closed Session Vote – None.

Meeting conclude at 1:02.