

New Horizons Charter Academy

Board Meeting

Dec. 7, 2021

Board Present – David Sams (Chairman), Dr. Christina Duran, Richard Thomas (ED). Ilana Youngheim, Arsen Alekryan

Not Present – Dr. Castaneda

Public - Guillermo Gomez, Michael Curry, Geetha Huma C.P.A., Dori Soria

I. CLOSED SESSION

Meeting Commenced at: 5:45 PM

Public Comments: None

Items for Action

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes (Nov. 2021 Board Meeting)

Dr. Duran – Please make revisions as noted, agree to approve with changes.

- Motion made to approve – Dr. Duran
- Second – Mrs. Youngheim
- Motion Carries (4-0 Yes votes)

Monthly Financial Report

Oct 2021 Financials

1. Average Daily Attendance at - The average ADA is 261, attendance rate at 94.5%.
 2. Revenue - is forecasted at \$5.2MM, decreased from last month.
 3. Total Expenditures forecasted at \$4.9MM
 4. Surplus forecasted at \$277K.
 5. Funding Balance \$1.75MM
 6. Cash Balance \$1.5MM, projected to \$1.1MM for the end of the year, including repayment of Prop 39 unspent balance.
- Motion made to approve – Dr. Duran
 - Second – Mrs. Youngheim
 - Motion Carries (4-0 Yes votes)

First Interim Financial Report (Geetha Huma) – The projected total revenue is \$1.5MM. The data report has been submitted to LAUSD, that was shared a month ago. Any changes we have will be shared with you in the February Meeting.

- Motion made to approve – Dr. Duran
- Second – Mrs. Youngheim
- Motion Carries (4-0 Yes votes)

Educator Effectiveness Block Grant Funding Expenditure Plan – The involves the allowable expenses provided in this block grant. Our expenditure budget will be \$50,722 over a five-year period. There will be several programs that lead to all areas of literacy and language acquisition.

Dr. Duran - I would like to commend you, that this is aligned with ROADMAP. The promotion of the primary language and being culturally aware of language differences and promoting full inclusion.

Richard Thomas – Thank you, we are also working on literacy instruction across all areas of instruction, integrating as much as possible for our teachers and students.

- Motion made to approve Dr. Duran
- Mrs. Youngheim
- Motion Carries (4-0 Yes votes)

Review and Approval of Charter School Compliance Monitoring 2021-2022

Mr. Sams – All items listed on compliance monitoring document have been reviewed and the Board assures that school is in compliance with all areas described in this document.

- Motion made to approve – Mr. Sams
- Second – Mrs. Youngheim

Motion Carries (4-0 Yes votes)

Executive Director’s Report - Week 16 Update

I would like to introduce for Dori Soria, with Mrs. Italia retiring, Dori will be moving into her position She will oversee our Meal Programs and have (4) months of training with Mrs. Bea to learn all aspects of our financial and human resource policies. Mrs. Soria, our board team is constructed of two parents, and several professionals, along with Geetha who supports our work through Charter Impact.

Dori Soria – I am very happy to be joining your school and I look forward to getting to know you all.

Dr. Duran – Can I recommend that we keep Mrs. Bea on board to provide additional assistance to our new hire? Four months is not enough time to learn a job of this size.

Mr. Thomas – Yes, absolutely, we will have to explore having her consult with us in the future.

Covid 19 Reopening Update – We are approaching the Winter Break and we are working to be complying by having all (12) year old students vaccinated, so they can return to school after the Holiday Break. All students attending Fair Avenue must be vaccinated upon their return.

Report Cards – Will be shared later this week.

Active Student Recruiting – We are currently down 30 students.

Winter Performances – We will share our zoom links for Christmas performances for both Lankershim and Fair Avenue very soon.

Have a safe and healthy new year.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM

Next Board Meeting – Jan 25th – 5:45 PM