



VALIENTE

COLLEGE PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL

Meeting of the Board of Directors

September 23rd, 2018, 9:00am to 3:30pm
11858 La Grange Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90025
(Between Armacoast & Westgate, ExED office)

Open Session

1. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Mangrum

Meeting called to order at 9:11am by Deena Mangrum

Board Member	Attendance
Deena Mangrum	Present
Jessica Boro	Present
Jennifer Bunn-Hayden	Present
Mark Racunas	Present
Carmen Avalos	Present
Ana Menezes	Present (@ 10:00)
Elaine Best	Present (*newly appointed member as of 9/23)
Tyler Thurlow	Absent
Eric Young	Absent

2. Approve: Regular August 2018 Board Meeting Minutes *D. Mangrum*

Motion to approve by Mark Racunas; seconded by Jennifer Bunn-Hayden.

Motion carries with quorum vote.

3. Public Comment

D. Mangrum

No public comment. Moved up Board approval vote of Elaine Best. Motion carries with quorum vote.

4. Staff Pre-Survey Data 2018-19

S. Gutierrez, E. Perez

Survey data shows staff morale is high and staff feels respected and valued at work. They noted that class sizes, student recognition, growth opportunities, and PD were areas of strengths. Areas to

improve included communication, behavior plans, opportunities to give input, variety of resources, student leadership, and prep time.

5. Executive Director's Report *E. Perez*
Enrollment Update *B. Carvajal & C. Rafferty*
Renewal Process & Petition Review *E. Perez*

Enrollment updates: We are currently under-enrolled. Due to small class sizes there will be a reduction of staff to ensure the 2018/2019 budget remains balanced. Although recruitment efforts have been consistent and extensive, numbers have been slow to grow. Interest in magnet program/curriculum, limited sports programs, and location have been the top 3 areas parents/families have shared that have delayed the decision to enroll at Valiente.

Renewal Process & Petition Review: Update on current phases of renewal process provided by Dr. Perez. The steps that remain are: Board review of Bylaws. LACOE renewal determines the next steps for Valiente's continued instructional program. Test scores, although not officially released from CA state board of Ed, have improved and are stronger than previous years.

BREAK 10:15 - 10:32

6. By Laws Overview *E. Perez*
Reviewed documents uploaded on the shared drive before break out teams and working lunch.
7. Fiscal Growth Plans & Options: Review Discussion *J. Bunn Hayden & S. Estilai, ExED*
Proposed moving forward with Recruitment
8. Board Fiscal Oversight Training *S. Estilai & A. Grant, ExED*
S. Estilai led fiscal oversight training with 10 slide presentation that addressed the important items to note and manage with fiscal reports from ExED. Currently there are 171 students enrolled against a budgeted student total enrollment of 239 students. Suggestion to glean more accurate projections included keeping actuals at 171, moving forecasted numbers to 181, and changing budgeted numbers to 191 with updated report from ExED.
9. Board Committee Review Goals *D. Mangrum*
- Deena, Jessica, Elaine: Governance Review (Assurances, Petition Review, 990)
 - Mark & Jennifer: Finance Review (Fiscal Policies Doc)
 - Ana & Carmen: Academics Review (Charter Petition)
10. Board Committee Breakouts & Planning: *D. Mangrum*
- By Laws, Fiscal Growth Plans & Petition Work
 - Draft: 18-19 & 19-20 Priorities

LUNCH 11:45 - 12:45

11. Working Lunch from 11:45 - 12:45
- Board Recruitment ideas/strategies:
 - Current sitting board is 9, goal is 11, and cap is 15.
 - Ideas shared to bring awareness to the board via social media, individual networks, professional contacts
 - Consider expanding vision to include parent(s) as active members to the board
 - CCSA, LEE, TFA, Charter Board Partners as potential pathways to board recruitment
 - University Alumni organizations
 - Board Member Approval: Elaine Best *D. Mangrum*
 - Motion carries with quorum vote @ 9:30a.
 - Welcome Ms. Elaine Best to the Valiente Board.

12. Board Committee Breakouts & Planning: *D. Mangrum*
- Finalize Priorities & New Goals

13. Board Approval: *D. Mangrum*
- A. Submission of Petition with suggested Edits Completed by Lead Petitioner, Dr. Perez
 - B. By Laws with suggested Edits
 - C. Assurances and Affirmations (renewal petition)

Board consensus is to table all agenda line item until the next board meeting on October 15th.

14. Board Member Communications *D. Mangrum*
- Jessica Boro - Informed team of upcoming TFA Mid-level leaders training
 - Jennifer Bunn-Hayden - running for school board currently campaigning

15. Adjourn Meeting *D. Mangrum*
Meeting adjourned at 1:08pm

No Closed Session at this Meeting

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS MAY BE MADE

Notice is hereby given that special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentations will be for information only.