

K-12 PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Special CHPA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Community Room and Live Stream

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 - 5:45 P.M.

Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 23, 2022

Recorded by: Lorrie Marquez

AN=Action Needed; AT=Action Taken; D=Discussion; I=Information Only; CR=Committee Referral

Present: John Lopez, Stephen Varela, James Salazar, Angela Giron and Natasha Leslie (remote)

Others Present: Dr. Richard Durán, President/CEO; Lorrie Marquez, Executive Assistant, Karen Ortiz, Chief Academic & Student Services Officer (CASSO); Jack Bay, Chief Business Officer (CBO); Shannon Behling, Chief HR Officer; Nick Angiocchi, Director of Human Resources & Benefits; Tiffany Larkins, Fiscal Services Manager; Loretta Cruz, IT Director; Scott Anderson, IT Staff; Brad Miller, Miller Farmer Law;

Guests: Brad Miller, MillerFarmer Law

This Special CHPA Board of Directors' Meeting was called to order at 12:00p.m. by the CHPA Board President, John Lopez.

Roll Call of CHPA Board Members constituted a quorum.

An executive session will be conducted to discuss personnel matters in pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402-4(f).

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| Executive Session 12:01p.m. | AT | Angela Giro moved to enter into Executive Session for discussion of personnel matters pursuant to CRS 24-6-402-4(f) and seconded by Stephen Varela, with a unanimous roll call vote by all members. No discussion. Motion carried. Brad Miller was asked to stay for the executive session. |
| Exit Executive Session 2:20p.m. | AT | Stephen Varela moved to exit Executive Session, seconded by James Salazar with a unanimous roll call vote. No discussion. Motion carried. |
| Open Session began at 2:23 p.m. | I | President, John Lopez welcomed everyone in attendance. |
| Modifications/Approval of Agenda | I | No modifications to the agenda were requested. |

Public Forum

This portion of the meeting provides an opportunity for the public to address the Board. If an individual has any concerns or issues, the individual is encouraged to first address those concerns or issues with individuals directly involved or with the Chief Executive Officer before coming to the Board meeting. Those who wish to address the Board shall submit an email with your comments to the Executive Assistant of the Board by 3:00p.m. the day of the meeting to ljmarquez@chpa-k12.org to the Public Forum section of the meeting. Public Speaker submissions must have the individual's name, organization affiliation, if any, and a short summary of the topic the individual wishes to speak on. Speakers will be given three minutes to address the Board and shall address the Board with decorum and not defame any Board members, faculty or staff of CHPA. Generally, the Board members will not comment or respond except to ask for clarification. Members of the public may also submit written communication to the Board on items on the agenda and/or speak to agenda items.

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| I | John Lopez read the Public Forum statement above and remarked that any incorrect statements will be addressed by the Board. |
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| Name | Affiliation | Topic of Discussion |
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| Rusty McBee | Teacher | Conflicts with BP1290 Endorsement of Political Candidates and/or Measures and 1090 Board Self Evaluation; loss of confidence in the Board, removal of the Board President and Vice President |
| Theresa Martinez | Counselor | BP 1020 Board Duties & Obligations, regarding CHPA Bylaws Article III, 3.10 and 3.11 and decorum of Board Member emails, removal of the Board President and Vice President |
| Angela Baca | Parent | In support of the teachers, issues with the nonsupport of the values and mission of CHPA, requested resignation of the Board President and Vice President |
| Carlos Lopez | Teacher/Coach | Worked with AD to hold the tournament; cut 10 teams, a loss of \$3,000 for the tournament. |
| LouAnn Maes | Parent | In support of the teachers, no faith or confidence in the Board |
| Cecilia Gay | Parent | Fact finding mission, in support of teachers, perception that a political event was placed ahead of the fundraising for students. |
| Aaron de Palacio | Former Student | Board concerns, ref. BP1090 Board Self Evaluation; in support of the teachers, students were not left unattended, resignation of the Board President and Vice President |
| Jesus Torres | Student | In support of the teachers, Board explained that an investigation is planned |
| Juan Espinosa | Former Board Member | Concern of the room the Board meeting was held, benefits to specific Board member, lack of uniforms for athletes and cancelled competitions |
| Sonny Lee Garcia | Student | In support of the teachers, senior student who will benefit from scholarship funds raised by the basketball tournament |
| Cameron Vigil | 2015 Graduate | Commented via Zoom; graduated with her master's degree at 22; recipient of scholarship funds; in support for the teachers, asked for a public apology from the Board to the faculty and students. |

- I Board Members responded at various times to comments made during Public Forum.
- I Dr. Durán was asked to clarify the scheduling conflict, John Lopez commented that the political event was not to benefit a board member running for a political office.
- I John kristan signed up for Public Form but was not in attendance when called to speak.
- I Issue with Zoom connection/recording – meeting resumed at 3:13p.m.

Approval Items:

1) CECFA Resolution to Amend Fund Bond Indenture

AT Stephen Varela motioned to approve the CECFA Resolution, seconded by James Salazar, a unanimous vote, Jack Bay gave a staff report regarding additional \$2.5M funds. Motion carried.

2) First Supplemental Indenture of Trust

AT Stephen Varela motioned to approve the First Supplemental Indenture of Trust, seconded by James Salazar, a unanimous vote, no discussion. Motion carried.

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3) D60 Amendment to Receive and Distribute BEST Grant Funds

AT **Stephen Varela motioned to approve the D60 Amendment to Receive and Distribute the BEST Grant Funds, seconded by James Salazar, a unanimous vote, Jack Bay gave a staff report explaining that we re working with the MillerFarmer Law and D60's attorney for the bond request, D60 has no liability, CHPA will receive 100% of the funds. Motion carried.**

4) BEST Grant Award Letter

AT **Stephen Varela motioned to approve the BEST Grant Award Letter, seconded by Angela Giron, a unanimous vote and no discussion. Motion carried.**

5) Approve Issues Discussed in Executive Session

AT **James Salazar motioned to direct legal counsel to work with a third party on what was discussed in executive session, seconded by Stephen Varela, a unanimous vote, no discussion. Motion carried.**

Other Information Discussed

I Jack Bay was asked to give an update regarding the removal of the modulars. The modulars that will be removed with be included in a list of surplus equipment for an action item at the May Board meeting. The ten plex, middle school cafeteria, Modulars 10, 11, 14, 15 and 16 which house the administration, business office, admissions, Wellness Center will be kept on campus and some of the modulars used for instruction will be kept.

Future Agenda Items

I The President/CEO search committee will be formed. Dr. Durán will address the issues of athletes not having uniforms and two cancelled track meets that were brought up during Public Forum.

I Stephen Varela made a statement that he hoped the Board clarified the misinformation regarding the rental of the facilities that conflicted with the basketball tournament, it was interesting to find out about the other issues brought to the Boards attention so the Board can find out where the breaks in the system so the Policy Committee can address any problems.

I Angela Giron thanked everyone who spoke during Public Forum, commended the speakers on their courage to address the Board; she offered her sincere apology for the perception of not supporting the teachers and students, she explained that the Board wants to do the right thing.

3:56p.m. Adjournment

AT **Stephen Varela moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by James Salazar with a unanimous vote, no discussion. Motioned carried.**

Prepared by: _____


Lorrie Marquez, Executive Assistant

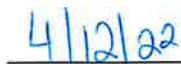
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Natasha Leslie, CHPA Board Secretary
(Signed by Board President in absence of Secretary)

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