



K-12 PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, January 29, 2025 – 5:45 P.M.

ECMS Boardroom

Present: **CHPA Board of Directors** Steven Trujillo, Nick Angiocchi (online), Angela Giron, Cynthia Ayala-Cooper, Mistie Dennis (online), JoSeph Garcia, Matt Garcia (online), Noah Commerford
CCA Building Corporation Board of Directors Mark Carmel, Dr. Duran, Steven Trujillo

Absent:

Ex-Officio Members: Monique Willis, Katie Scandozza, Dr. Miller, Aaron Lucero, Gabryella Figueroa

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

Others Present: Legal Counsel, Richard Orona; Executive Director, Fred Segura; Executive Assistant, JoDee Alarid; HR Director, Shannon Behling

Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2025

Recorded by: JoDee Alarid

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

1. **This regular meeting of the CHPA Board of Directors was called to order at 5:48 p.m. in the DPHH Cafeteria by President, Steven Trujillo**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call of CHPA Board Members constituted a quorum.**
Roll Call of CCA Building Corporation constituted a quorum.
4. **Roll Call of CHPA Ex-Officio Members**
5. **Modifications/Approval of Agenda**
 - AT Noah Commerford moved to accept the agenda as presented, seconded by Cynthia Ayala-Cooper, with no discussion and unanimous vote, motion carried.
6. **Public Forum**
 - I The following individuals shared public comment
Steve Oaks of Savior Profits – information of Savior Profits Company.
Jordan Mecham, CCA Parent – Transparency
Theresa Martinez, DPHH Employee – BP 5250, Request of board members resignation
Yolanda Ortega, CHPA Retired & Adjunct Professor – Board members conduct, Request of board members removal, Submission of Petition.
7. **Ryan Marks of Charter School Institute, Introduction**
 - I Mr. Segura introduced Ryan Marks of CSI. Mr. Marks provided an explanation of Charter School Authority and answered questions by the board.
8. **CHPA Teacher & Student Representative Reports**
 - I CCA teacher, Monique Willis and DH teacher, Katie Scandozza both shared their written reports.
DH student Gabryela Figueroa shared a report noting the beginning of the new semester classes and athletics. Miss Figueroa shared students have indicated they would like lockers to store their books and that the student body is getting excited about the upcoming prom.

9. Ex-Officio Representative Report

- I Dr. Andrew Miller and Aaron Lucero shared an update for PCC highlighting the following: Spring classes began with steady enrollment, student service leadership is now under Mike Gage, Concurrent Enrollment Summit will be held Feb 25th 1-5pm, a shared governance task force has been created with upcoming community forums, Immigrations status inquiries are in line with the community college system and will ensure safety and security of students.

10. Executive Director Report

- I Mr. Segura shared his report highlighting educational goals which have been set and are being worked towards in Language Arts, Math and Writing. Mr. Segura thanked the staff for their hard work, addressing concerns of academic achievement at each grade level. \$42,000.00 of grant funding for vaping has been received, DPHH students are working on creating a vaping policy, KRDO has taped 3 commercials featuring CHPA alumni, updated statistics show DPHH Graduation rate is 95% with only 0.6 drop out rate. Mr. Segura reminded the board of the 2017 Resolution of CHPA Sanctuary School status.
- D Board member M. Garcia inquired about a remote day due to low staff. Mr. Segura shared that with teacher call offs and staff at training a remote day was utilized.

11. Board Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee

- I Mr. Angiocchi reported on the finance committee noting that CHPA is trending at 52% budget utilization, a reduced ppr amount will be seen in January, a 600,000.00 transfer from CCA Building Corporation was made to CHPA to be held in Colorado Trust to earn higher interest rates, EASI grant funds of 90,000.00 which were not reimbursed from D60 may need to be written off. The funds were submitted in the correct time however D60 said it was sent to the wrong person and failed to forward to their counterparts or provide to CHPA the correct contact for submission. Mr. Angiocchi noted an invoice received for work done in the spring of 24 is not late, it was received based on the time it was released from the vendor. Mr. Angiocchi also noted the receipt of PCC tuition, with a slight increase due to Gateway credits had been received and approved by the finance committee. The Bond figures of December show debt coverage at .95 with days cash on hand at 124days, instructional vs non instructional budget split is 75/25, upcoming sale items are a small plot of land and a back loader both of which should bring in approximately 27,000.00, the finance team is currently working on the Solar rebate application. Mr. Angiocchi reminded the board the complete financial reports were included in their packets and thanked the financial team for their work.

- I Board President Trujillo reminded the board that the Board Retreat is scheduled for February 21st and a further breakdown of finances will be provided.

b. Achievement Student Success Committee

- I Committee Chair Mr. JoSeph Garcia shared an update of the committee highlighting a Vaping presentation by a DPHH student. Mr. Garcia shared the next committee meeting is February 12 with the main agenda item being a comprehensive look at middle-of-year data.

c. Bylaws Committee

- I No Report

d. Policy Committee

- I Ms. Giron shared the development AP 4250 CHPA Transition and Distribution of Funds form CHPA Foundation.

e. Recruitment and Nominating Committee

- I No Report

12. Executive Session 7:13

- AT JoSeph Garcia motioned to move into Executive Session, seconded by Noah Commerford, with no discussion and unanimous vote, motioned carried.
- I JoDee Alarid, Shannon Behling, Dr. Duran, Mr. Carmel were invited to stay

7:30 Shannon Behling excused

8:28 Dr. Duran and Mr. Carmel excused

8:28 Shannon Behling invited into executive session

8:40 Angela Giron exited meeting

Misti Dennis left meeting un-noticed during executive session / time unknown.

13. Open Session 8:50

AT Cynthia Ayala-Cooper motioned to move into Open Session, seconded by JoSeph Garcia, with no discussion and a unanimous vote, motion carried.

14. Consent Agenda Items

a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

- December 17, 2024

- January 11, 2025 Special Meeting

b. Personnel Report

c. Finance Reports for Audit

AT Mr. J Garcia motioned to approve the Consent Agenda Items, seconded by Cynthia Ayala-Cooper with discussion: Mr. Garcia inquired to what was included in official board minutes, Mr. Trujillo explained minutes are a recap of meeting, if board members would like specific remarks recorded they will ask to note “for the record” to indicate the quoted comment to be included in the minutes. Mr. Commerford inquired how often reminders were sent out for accounts receivable and how often accounts payable are reviewed. Mr. Segura shared that incomes statements and accounts payable are reviewed weekly with the accounting firm Abacus. President Trujillo asked if there was any more discussion, response was no, therefor with no further discussion and a unanimous vote the motion to accept the consent agenda carried.

15. Approval Items

None

16. New Business

None

17. Board Comments

Nick Angiocchi stated he had no comments other than appreciation and thanks to the board.

Matthew Garcia shared his respect to those who support CHPA including himself, acknowledged that there are things to do better, he shared he is on the board to do better, he commented dishearteningly about being asked to resign in public session, he shared he is committed to the school and wants the school to be committed as well.

Noah Commerford shared that within the three weeks of his being on the board it is apparent there are divisions among the board, parents and faculty. Mr. Commerford challenged the board to “do better” reminding the board that if the board is divided in the boardroom then divisions will be in other areas as well. Mr. Commerford challenged the board to adopt the perspective of “us, we” not “me, I”. Mr. Commerford encouraged the board and noted the work that will be done at the upcoming board retreat.

Cynthia Ayala-Cooper shared that she is looking forward to the retreat and being able to look into issue and find proper avenues to share information and becoming more engaged in committees and creating a task force to address issues to allow the development of solutions to current challenges.

JoSeph Garcia reminded everyone that in the disagreements the school’s best interest is what is at heart and the board cannot stop making things better to ensure the future of the school.



K-12 PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Steven Trujillo agreed with the board and shared that the brightest days are ahead, the community and families deserve the best, he also shared his excitement for the opportunities that lie ahead. President Trujillo thanked the board and staff for their passion and commitment noting a quote of Dolores Huerta “We criticize and separate ourselves from the process. We’ve got to jump right in there with both feet.” He thanked the board and staff and community for jumping in with both feet.

18. Adjournment 9:04

AT Noah Commerford motioned to adjourn, seconded by Cynthia Ayala-Cooper, with no discussion and a unanimous vote the motion carried.

Prepared by: 
JoDec Alarid, Executive Assistant

Date: 2-21-25

Verified by: 
CHPA Board Secretary
(May be signed by the Board President in the Secretary’s absence)

Date: 02/21/25