



K-12 PREPARATORY ACADEMY

Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 18, 2025 – 5:45 P.M.
DHPH Cafeteria

CHPA Board Members Present: Steven Trujillo, Nick Angiocchi, Angela Giron, Noah Commerford

CHPA Board Members Absent: JoSeph Garcia, Cynthia Ayala-Cooper

Ex-Officio Members Present: Monique Willis, Katie Scandozza, Gabriella Figueroa, Dr. Andrew Miller

Ex-Officio Members Absent:

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

Meeting Date: Tuesday March 18, 2025

Recorded by: JoDee Alarid

1. This regular meeting of the CHPA Board of Directors was called to order at 5:45 p.m. in the DHPH Cafeteria by President, Steven Trujillo

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call of Chávez/Huerta K-12 Preparatory Academy Board Members constituted a quorum.

4. Roll Call of CHPA Ex-Officio Members

5. Modifications/Approval of Agenda*

AT Mr. Segura advised the modification of the agenda to move the Executive Session to immediately follow item 7 of student recognition Noah Commerford moved to accept the agenda with the modification, seconded by Nick Angiocchi with no discussion and a unanimous vote the motion carried.

6. Public Forum

I None

7. CHPA Student Recognition

1. Emmanuel Alardin, 3rd grade – February 17th, 2025, D60 Science Fair Champion

2. Zoey Calderon, 5th grade – Boys and Girls Club ‘Kid of the Year’ Recognition

3. Sami Ortman, 11th grade – Boys and Girls Club ‘Youth of the Year’ Winner

4. AJ Jaramillo Class 2A Colorado Boys State Wrestling Champion

AT Board President Trujillo and Executive Director and Principals presented CHPA students with recognition. Mr. Trujillo acknowledged the efforts of support provided to all students by CHPA administration and staff.

8. Executive Session 6:03

AT Nick Angiocchi motioned to move into Executive Session seconded by Angela Giron with a unanimous vote and no discussion motion carried.

6:08 Email Notification from PCC Ex-officio Dr. Andrew Miller indicated that he left the meeting.

9. Open Session 7:05

AT Nick Angiocchi motioned to move out of Executive Session and into Open Session seconded by Angela Giron with unanimous vote and no discussion motion carried.

7:06 Mr. Orona left session his partner Fred Galves stayed for the duration of the board meeting.

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10. CHPA Teacher & Student Representative Reports

- CCA Teacher, Monique Willis

I Ms. Willis shared her written report.

- ECMS Report

I Mr. Trujillo reminded the board that the report is in the meeting packet.

- DHPH Teacher, Katie Scandozza

I Ms. Scandozza shared her written report. Highlighting the recent launch of the SPHEREx telescope by NASSA and noting that one of the engineers who contributed to the success is a former 2016 CHPA graduate, Jacob Velasquez.

7:09 Student rep. Gabryela Figueroa joined meeting.

- DHPH Student, Gabryela Figueroa

I Miss Figueroa shared her written report.

11. Ex-Officio Representative Report

I Mr. Trujillo shared that Dr. Miller had to leave earlier but provided his update via email which included: PCC enrollment was steady at +1% FTE compared to last year at the same time, Concurrent Enrollment currently at 52% of total headcount, the college is very busy with mid-terms, summer planning and upcoming spring break.

12. Executive Director Report (10 minutes)

I Mr. Segura shared highlights of his report noting current budget planning for next year and surveys are being conducted with parents regarding housing 6th grade at the elementary vs ECMS. CCA students shared with Mr. Segura that they would like to *not* wear uniforms. Mr. Segura added that if 6th grade was to be housed in the CCA building that continuum celebrations would take place as before and the change would allow savings on FTE. Mr. Segura touched on marketing efforts which will include contacting alumni for interviews, a mass mailing of all of Pueblo, KRDO commercial highlighting the Early College Program, weekly Facebook live series which have begun, highlighting different areas in the schools, upcoming school events including 8th grade breakfast and kindergarten round up, parent meeting for authorizing and vaping issues and the organization of La Raza is now providing student support at ECMS. Mr. Segura acknowledged the staff for their commitments and positive efforts.

D Mrs. Giron inquired as to if 7th and 8th grade students would be housed in a different location, Mr. Segura responded that they will be in ECMS. Ms. Giron agreed that 6th grade staying in CCA would be a plus allowing them to continue to receive support.

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13. Board Committee Reports

a. Finance Committee – Nick Angiocchi (10 minutes)

- Balance Sheet
- Income Statement Summary
- A/P Check Register

I Mr. Angiocchi shared his report highlighting that current trending is on target, adding that revenues are a bit low due to funding reimbursement pass through processes with D60, expenses running on target, received a portion of the outstanding grant reimbursement by d60, projections indicate finishing the year off better than expected, current debt coverage is 1.03 with 15 days cash on hand, HR is conducting an analysis and identifying savings, the finance committee approved money management of moving a money market account at the bank of San Juans to Colorado Trust to receive higher interest earnings, and the Big sale will be held 3.27.25. Mr. Angiocchi thanked the finance committee and stated that he is looking forward to drafting the 2026 budget. He reminded the board that all the financial statements were included in the members' packets.

b. Achievement Student Success Committee

I No report, next report is expected at April meeting.

c. Bylaws Committee –

I No report.

d. Policy Committee

- BP 2270 Equitable Enrollment

I Ms. Giron shared the policy and the development of BP 2270, noting the process has been in effect the BP is codifying the process.

e. Recruitment and Nominating Committee

I No report, next report is expected at April meeting.

14. Study Session – Academic Achievement – Upcoming Assessments

I Mr. Segura shared that testing is beginning April 7 – April 25 CHPA principals were invited to share their academy preparations.

D Mr. Commerford asked if tutorials are created to help prepare – he shared that the Latino chamber could prepare a template to help.

Ms. Giron shared that Boys and Girls Club is doing a STEM camp during spring break which could help prepare for testing.

Steven Trujillo asked if parents are being notified of ways they could help their students prepare.

Mr. Weimer said that weekly all calls with tips and encouragements are made and a special hot breakfast on the day of testing is provided to students. Ms. Parker shared that CCA ensures every child has breakfast test preparation tips shared with each parent at conference time and that MTSS meetings have been held regularly for students struggling academically. ECMS ensures each student receives breakfast and are allowed to take to first hour to allow everyone to eat, an all call goes out to parents as well. Board member Noah Commerford asked if motivational speakers are invited into class to encourage students and if incentives and rewards are given out. Principal Beeman said each day students in attendance during testing receive a ticket for a reward and they are accepting donations for prizes, a kick off assembly will be held. Mr. Commerford shared that the Latino Chamber will help with a donation of prizes. CCA Principal Parker shared that the elementary also will have an assembly, use a ticket reward system and an ice cream social.

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15. Consent Agenda Items

a. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

- February 21, 2025
- March 6, 2025

b. Personnel Report

c. Finance Reports for Audit

AT Nick Angiocchi moved to approve all items on the consent agenda, seconded by Noah Commerford with no discussion and a unanimous vote, the motioned carried.

16. Approval Items

a. 2025-2026 Academic Calendar

AT Nick Angiocchi motioned to approve the 2025-2026 Academic Calendar the motion was seconded by Angela Giron with no discussion and a unanimous vote the motion carried.

b. BP 2270 Equitable Enrollment

AT Nick Angiocchi motioned to approve the new Board Policy 2270 Equitable Enrollment the motion was seconded by Angela Giron with no discussion and a unanimous vote the motion carried.

17. New Business

I No new business

18. Board Comments (3 minutes each)

Noah Commerford asked if the open board seat application was open on the website, Executive Assistant answered that is posted and an application was recently received.

Angela Giron shared at the recent Boys and Girls Club event recognizing the **Youth of the Year** two of the top recipients were students of CHPA. Ms. Giron explained the rigorous process used in the selection of winning recipients and the Youth of the Year, Sami Ortman would be moving on to participate in the State Competition in Denver later in April.

Nick Angiocchi gave a reminder of the upcoming March 27th Big Sale, CHPA Day and Senior Scholarship Golf Tournament. Mr. Angiocchi thanked the board and Executive Assistant, JoDee Alarid, for their hard work and commitment.

Steven Trujillo recognized Ms. Giron for her work with the Boys and Girls Club, and thanked all who support students and the community and made note of the caliber of alumni that come from CHPA. Mr. Trujillo also thanked CHPA faculty and families.

19. Adjournment 8:05

AT Nick Angiocchi motioned to adjourn, Noah Commerford seconded the motion, with no discussion and a unanimous vote the motion carried.

Prepared by:


JoDee Alarid, Executive Assistant

Date:

4.29.25

Verified by:


CHPA Board Secretary
(May be signed by the Board President in the Secretary's absence)

Date:

4/29/25