

Adelante Charter School

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Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes January 10, 2022

Board of Directors Present

Brianna Aguilar, President/Presidenta (08/2023)

Amanda Lopez-Solis, Vice-President/Vice-presidenta (03/2024)

Jack Rivas, Treasurer/tesorero (07/2023)

Sheila Cullen, Secretary/secretaria (07/2024)

Annette Cordero (08/2022)

Inés Casillas (11/2021)

Dominic Paszkeicz (11/2022)

René García Hernández (12/2022)

Others/Otros

Javier Bolívar, Executive Director

Laura Capps, SBUSD Representative

Theresa Thompson: Charter Impact

Open Session/Sesión Abierta

Closed Session/Sesión Cerrda

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1. Call to Order, attendance (5:37pm)
 2. Read Mission Statement: Read in both English and Spanish
 3. Re-elect Inés Casillas for an additional board term:
 - a. Inés Casillas requests a term of one year only.
 - b. Annette Cordero made a motion to re-elect Inés Casillas; Jack Rivas seconded; approved unanimously 5-0 with abstention from Inés Casillas.
 4. Consent agenda: Approve minutes 2021-12-06 and 2021-12-13
 - a. Minutes approved with no corrections. Jack Rivas made a motion to approve consent agenda; Dominic Paszkeicz seconded; approved unanimously 6-0.
 5. Review agenda: No items removed.
 6. Public Comment: none.
 7. Board Members' Comment:
 - a. Ines Casillas thanks staff, administration, and teachers for working so hard with this reentry to school. Echoed by Jack Rivas who also apologizes for inability to be present.
 8. Reports & Updates
 - a. Celebration of Teaching: Maestra Rubio expressed thanks to all parents who organized breakfasts the week before break. Representing teachers, inquired if supplemental Covid sick pay would be extended through this academic year. Secondly, asked if possible to be compensated for extra personal time spent prepping and planning due to additional demands consuming prep time, related to minimal staffing.
 - b. PTSO: no representative present.

- c. Committee Reports (food, finance, academic, family relations, equity): No reports.
- d. Finance Report (Theresa Thompson)
 - i. Theresa Thompson reviewed our November financial report.
- e. ED-Principal's Report
 - i. Covid has been our singular focus and challenge this week. We have had to use all our resources to assure that the students remain in their classes by having substitutes and specialists cover classes.
 - ii. Case rate has increased from 10/100K to 135/100K from before break to after.
 - iii. The vaccine has been effective at mitigating numbers and severity of cases and is safe for children 5 and above.
 - iv. Everyone is using masks but we haven't yet required that children use them outside during close contact, but we encourage this practice.
 - v. Since 8/17/21, we have had 16 positive cases among students and 9 staff members.
 - vi. Since January, we have done more than 300 tests so far.
 - vii. We have found 9 positive cases among students since January 3, which is a low number compared to many other schools.
 - viii. We are strictly following recommended guidelines for isolation and quarantine for any positive student case or exposure. These guidelines might change on January 14th.
 - ix. Cal OSHA guidelines applied to staff – they were required to quarantine for 10 days. As of Friday, this has changed and they can come back on day 6.

9. Board business

- a. COVID-19 Update and 21-22 Return to School: refer to ED/Principal Report. (Item 8e).
- b. Discuss Board Recruitment: no report.
- c. Discuss Facilities:
 - i. Brianna Aguilar reported that current plan based on Director Bolívar's meeting in December is to be given two portables (B2 & B1) as well as other half of B3; and to release 2 classrooms of Franklin's that we currently use.
 - ii. Effective gain = $\frac{1}{2}$ of a portable.
 - iii. We would also gain small yard space in front of the former preschool classrooms.
 - iv. We continue to lack space, with no library, parent space, group meeting space and inadequate office space.
 - v. January 4th, Inés Casillas, Director, and Brianna Aguilar met with Kim Hernandez, Ann Escobedo, Steve Venz, Hilda Maldonado, Laura Capps. It was expressed that this is the current solution but there's not currently any additional

- space. Franklin and Adelante have better working relationship this year, which is good news, we can use more outdoor space. Agreed to continue conversations.
- vi. We could consider using that bond money that was planned for use to rebuild preschool, to improve our own facility.
 - vii. Director Bolivar thinks that this is a positive direction, this is not the end of the conversation. Adelante will have a different face, which will be a big change. Parents will feel much more like they are entering a school from the front door.
 - viii. Annette Cordero asked if a room utilization report would be available for the district schools.

10. Action Items

- a. Approve Educator Effectiveness (EEFBG) Grant Plan:
 - i. Already approved.
- b. Approve unaudited actuals
 - i. Not needed.
- c. Approve the Audit Report:
 - i. Auditors inspected all financial statements. Report is clean.
 - ii. Jack Rivas made a motion to approve our Audit Report; Dominic Paszkeicz seconded; unanimously approved 7-0.
- d. Approve SARC
 - i. Holly Gil reviewed the SARC, background and content.
 - ii. Jack Rivas made a motion to approve the SARC; René García Hernández seconded; unanimously approved 7-0.

11. Next meeting date & agenda items

- a. 2/7, 3/7, 4/4, 5/2.

12. Closed Session (7:00pm)

13. Report out on closed session:

- a. Public Employee Appointment: Part-time aide
- b. Sheila Cullen made a motion to offer the position to Jocelyn Reveles; Jack Rivas seconded; unanimously approved 7-0.

14. Adjourn/Suspender (7:30pm)

Approved: 2022-03-07