Adelante Charter School

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Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes August 14, 2023

Board of Directors Present

Brianna Aguilar, President(08/2023) Amanda Lopez-Solis, Vice- president (03/2024) Jack Rivas, Treasurer (07/2023) Sheila Cullen, Secretary (07/2024) Andy Gil (05/2025) Mirian Gutierrez (09/2025)

Others

Javier Bolívar, Executive Director Roger Castillo, Charter Impact

Open Session (5:30pm) Closed Session (7:20pm) ROOM 105, Adelante Charter School

- 1. Call to Order, attendance / (5:36pm)
- 2. Read Mission Statement: Read in English; no Spanish-only speakers in attendance.
- 3. Consent agenda:
 - a. Re-elect Brianna Aguilar and Jack Rivas for an additional term as board members
 - b. Approve minutes 2023-06-05, 2023-06-12, and 2023-06-20
 - c. Motion to approve consent agenda made by Andy Gil; seconded by Mirian Gutierrez; unanimously approved 5-0.
- 4. Review agenda: Finance moving up after public comment.
- 5. Public Comment: none.
- 6. Finance Report (Roger Castillo):
 - i. May Highlights: After adjustments in actuals, year-end is projected to be \$55K deficit, though we continue to maintain a very solid fund balance.
- 7. Board Members' Comments:
 - a. Brianna Aguilar noted that Condor kickoff at Junior High was today; it was nice to see Adelante students there.
- 8. Reports & Updates : (5:50)
 - a. PTSO: no report.
 - b. Committee Reports (food, finance, academic, family relations, equity)
 - i. Brianna Aguilar will have a date for our retreat meeting soon.
 - c. ED-Principal's Report:
 - i. The last two months have been really busy with personnel.
 - ii. Joaquin Becerra, personnel consultant, will be here tomorrow at 10 for all-staff meeting.
 - iii. Significant progress on ELA test scores in 5th (34% proficient) and 6th grades (43% proficient). Parents will have access on Aeries.



- iv. All of our first graders are going to second grade reading at grade level, as a result of changes we have implemented in reading instruction in Spanish.
- v. Third grade-fourth grade cohort remains academically challenged. These are the ones that weren't in school until approximately second grade. We are targetting our paraeducators to that grade level.
- vi. Our charter renewal has been extended until 2026.
- vii. We are focusing on ELPAC and having more students reclassify.
- viii. Director welcomed our new teacher via zoom.
- d. Jack Rivas joined the meeting (6:12pm)
- e. Special Education Director Update
 - i. Leticia Lemus thanked the board and is excited to take on the new responsibility.
 - ii. SPED team will have a welcome meeting for SPED parents to meet the new personnel on Tuesday 22nd @5pm.
- 9. Board business (6:30)
 - a. Discuss Universal Pre-K: no update.
- 10. Action Items (6:45)
 - a. Approve contract with Joaquin Becerra Consulting
 - i. Brianna Aguilar provided short history and need for this outside support.
 - ii. Amanda Lopez-Solis made a motion to approve the contract; Jack Rivas seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.
 - b. Approve Adelante Expanded Learning Opportunities Plan
 - i. A-OK and will include kindergarten students.
 - ii. Amanda Lopez-Solis made a motion to approve ELOP; Sheila Cullen seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.
 - c. Approve MOU with SBCEO for support with ELPAC assessment process
 - i. Andy Gil made a motion to approve MOU with SBCEO for ELPAC support; Mirian Gutierrez seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.

11. CLOSED SESSION (6:45)

- a. Section 54954.5: Public Employee Appointment: teacher
- b. Section 54954.5: Public Employee Appointment: School Psychologist
- c. Section 54954.5: Public Employee Appointment: / educational aide (2)
- d. Section 54954.5: Release of public employee for maternity leave
- 12. Report Out on Closed Session (6:55pm)
 - a. Amanda Lopez-Solis made a motion to approve appointment of Jared Hernandez as teacher; Andy Gil seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.



- b. Andy Gil made a motion to approve appointment of Meaghan Romo as school psychologist; Mirian Gutierrez seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.
- c. Amanda Lopez-Solis made a motion to approve two educational aides, Evelyn Anica and Fernanda Pacheco; Sheila Cullen seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.
- d. Amanda Lopez-Solis made a motion to approve maternity leave for Monica Dettmer; Mirian Gutierrez seconded; unanimously approved 6-0.
- 13. Next meeting date & agenda items
 - a. 9/11, 10/2, 11/13, 12/4
 - b. Board Buddies, Officer Succession
- 14. Adjourn (6:56pm)

Minutes approved: 2023-09-11

