

## PACHS Board Meeting Minutes 6.16.2022

### Roll Call

#### Board Members present

Evelyn Rivera-Swint  
Milagros Fernandez  
Dr. Michael Staudenmaier  
Jaime Moctezuma  
Milagros de la Rosa  
Rebekah Marcano

**We have quorum.**

#### Leadership Present

Marvin Garcia E.D.  
Dr. Melissa Lewis Principal  
Lizzette Richardson

**Approve the Agenda:** Jaime motioned to approve; Milagros Fernandez seconded. Pass unanimously

**Approve the Minutes:** Jaime motioned to approve; Michael seconded. Pass unanimously

**Public Participation: Xavier Hernandez:** Marvin introduced Xavier to the Board. He has connections to various organizations which include those surrounding the workforce area. He has supported the 50th anniversary by sending 5 sponsors who committed \$5000 each. He then introduced himself. He's from BTech. He runs the program for any film that takes place in the city of Chicago. They ensure that these television or film industries have enough representation of underrepresented demographics. He just purchased a telecom company where they can create solar-powered jobs in Chicago. They want to create career pathways that lead to STEM and STEAM jobs. Primarily this surrounds Hydroponics. They have a special relationship with people in the MLB organizations. He wants to home grow local talent in the STEM and STEAM areas.

He wants to help as a bridge from these tech companies and those who wish to help with the community schools, especially Albizu. Marvin says that Xavier and Tony from BTech should go visit the school and build relationships. He will get all of the contact information for them.

#### **Chair Rivera introduces the new Board candidate, Rebekah Marcano.**

Introductions from the Board were made to Rebekah Marcano, and she was introduced by Marvin and also introduced herself formally to the Board. Voting Process on Rebekah Marcano on Board membership: Unanimous agreement. Chair Rivera-Swint will meet with Dr. Lewis about scheduling a formal meeting with Rebekah Marcano and a visit to the school.

**Principal's Report:** Graduation was a complete success. Students will be very active this summer in joining community and city programs. She needs to hire a new English teacher and new Science teacher for the next semester.

**Executive Report:** The finances for the school moving forward will be challenging. Because of the recruitment/graduation rate plummeting primarily due to COVID much of the fund created to build out the second floor of the Haddon building. Marvin has recently been awarded a grant to

work with various schools next school year to write grants. The first school will be Roberto Clemente.

**Fiscal Report:** The budget deficit is largely a result of YCCS lowering the number of slots for the school. We used to have 183 this past year we were at 130 and now YCCS is making the 130 slots the benchmark for our budget. If we can enroll more than 130 students, YCCS said they would pay the school for each student.

We are in the process of attempting to find other grants from external sources outside of YCCS. Through YCCS we have several scenarios over the last years that have allowed us to roll over funds. YCCS has allowed us to roll over funds from surplus in previous year budgets. These three pathways place us in a good position to meet the fiscal challenges ahead.

At this point we must bridge the gap in the budget before we try to build out the Haddon building. Around now we are expected to have a budget for the next school year, but this cannot happen at this time because there are a few variables that need to be resolved before that can be locked into the budget. We won't have an approved budget until the next Fall semester.

### **2023 Recruitment**

Melissa then spoke about the school's recruitment goals and vision. Every single person on the school staff is responsible for recruitment. Melissa hasn't lost any staff or programming in the last two years.

By August 22nd she plans to have a full school of students. Evelyn would like Melissa to put together a plan of recruitment for the Board and questioned whether various people from other programs/organizations can participate in recruitment for the school - in essence - expanding the hands of recruitment outside the school.

Evelyn would like the school to scan for various events happening through the community in other organizations where the school can table. Marvin said at Humboldt Health there can be information for recruitment, Board assistance in social media 'blasting'. CAAC will commit 1 person for every table that Dr. Lewis presents at an event.

**Update on Stock Donation for the 50th:** Marvin found someone to help them with the Stock donation, find out the particulars and then report to the board.

### **Announcements:**

*50th Anniversary meeting, Tuesday, July 12th, 2022, at 7:00pm Remote*

*Next Board meeting: Thursday, October 6, 2022*

### **2023 Board meetings**

Thursday, October 6, 2022

Thursday, January 12, 2023

Thursday, April 13, 2023

June, first Thursday after the H.S. Graduation

Adjourn: Jaime motioned to close, Milagros de La Rosa seconded. Pass unanimously