

**Public Academy for Performing Arts
Governing Council Minutes
Minutes of May 16, 2011**

Voting Members Present: Randy Costales, Amy Anderson, Renee Nieto and Randall VanVleck, Daniel Solis and Jennifer Montoya

Quorum Achieved: Yes. There are 6 voting members present.

Non-Voting Members Present:

Members Absent: Steven Quezada, Dan Humphreys, Christopher Koller and Ed Torrez

Guests: Valerie Scott, Doreen Winn, and Rhonda Cordova

Agenda Item 1 – Convene Meeting Roll Call for Quorum

Six voting members present. Quorum achieved.

Meeting convened at 5:30 pm

Agenda Item 2 – Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve Agenda: Amy Anderson

Seconded: Jennifer Montoya

Unanimously passed

Agenda Item 3 – Approval of Minutes for the April 18, 2011 and April 19, 2011 GC Meeting

Motion to Approve GC Minutes: Amy Anderson

Seconded: Jennifer Montoya

Unanimously passed

Agenda Item 4 – Budget and Finance Report – BARS

Bar #001-047-1011-0027-IB – Increase 4000 Capital Outlay Account – 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 Budgeted Revenue - \$406,684

Bar #001-047-1011-0026-IB – Increase 1000 Instruction Account – Award letter received January 27, 2011 - \$7,600

Motion to Approve BARS: Jennifer Montoya

Seconded: Amy Anderson

Unanimously passed

Agenda Item 5 – Audit Committee Appointment

Audit Committee Meeting – May 23, 2011 at 9:30 am at APS John Milney Conference Room

Alfred Martinez, Business Manager, has agreed to serve on the audit committee
Renee Nieto, GC member, has agreed to serve on the audit committee

Doreen will invite a PTSO representative to be on the audit committee.

Agenda Item 6 - Budget Review Update

PED wants us to use funds for student achievement.
Budget is heavy in direct instruction – 72.3%
This is a desirable level.

PED wants Special Ed students to be labeled correctly - ABCD

APS is approving PAPAs Budget on May 20, 2011
They will send it to the State for final approval

In September 2011, PED will release the final unit value.
The unit value could be lowered.

PAPA will be as conservative as possible with the current budgeted amount in preparation for a possible budget cut in September.

Agenda Item 7 – Employee Out of State Travel Request

Professional Development has to be spent by the end of the fiscal year
We are sending 5 teachers to AP Training which is free

Naomi Montoya – Film and Dance conference - \$500.00

Su Hudson – Film and Dance conference - \$500.00

Fabian Sisneros – Flamenco Conference – Registration Fee Only - \$460.00

Jennifer Lopez, Rick Striegel, Karen Price, and Fabian Sisneros – National Conference on Differentiated Instruction - \$4,282.00

PAPA is an all inclusive school which means the geniuses and and special ed students are in the same class. The National Conference is a 4 day conference in Las Vegas. There are 285 sessions available to attend. PAPA school will have online access to each session for 1 year.

Randy Costales – As an advocate of people with disabilities, I would like to thank the PAPA staff for the all inclusive policy. It starts with the leadership and trickles down. I am thrilled!

Motion to Approve Out of State Travel: Amy Anderson
Seconded: Randall VanVleck
Unanimously passed

Agenda Item 8 – Principal Report

See Attached Report

PAPA is talking to a company that seeks and finds funding for schools that will work with our foundation. We were called to meet with State Fair representatives to discuss leasing space. The RailRunner has property that they would like to show PAPA. We are keeping our options open and not waiting for APS.

GC Members need to return binders at next meeting.

We were chosen by PED for the Charter School Audit because of our increased Special Ed numbers and PAPA's administrator turnover. We are going through every IEP and comparing it to the STARS report and updating as necessary. The updates that have been adjusted are not money related.

NM Charter School Coalition Site offers online GC Training to members only. We are not members this school year. The Law Conference will have GC training on June 10th and 11th (Friday and Saturday) at the Albuquerque Hotel. There are enough classes for 5 credits. GC members must have certification by July 1, 2011. The new GC members do not have to take these classes yet.

Agenda Item 9 – PAPA Policy – Section H Discussion

PAPA received 1 Public Comment regarding PAPA Policy Section H. Randall VanVleck will review the comment and update Section H with his recommendations.

The GC will review and vote on Section H at the next board meeting

Agenda Item 10 – APS Agreements

Doreen Winn – We are struggling dealing with APS for the following items:

IDEA B funding was significantly less than last year with a 20% decrease when PAPA had a significant increase in special ed students. APS has not responded with a reason.

HB33 and MOU – The original unsigned MOU states that APS will receive all of our HB33 money and use it for whatever they want which includes using it for other schools. We met with APS and were promised an addendum or a revised MOU stating the the money will be used specifically for PAPA. We have met

every month with APS, but they have arrived at every meeting without an updated MOU.

Flow thru traffic – PAPA has requested that APS paint the sidewalk yellow so that no one can park on the East side of the street. They have not sent a representative yet.

PAPA Inadvertently paid them \$33,000 of our HB33 money. We have invoiced them for this money and they have ignored that invoice. We are considering holding it out of the lease payment after we consult with our attorney.

The PAPA Charter Renewal Approval has never been received. We attended the meeting where it was approved but we do not have anything in writing. Mark Tolley did respond to this issue.

Joe Escabido and Mark Tolley have promised that they will set up a meeting with Mr. Brooks. This has not happened.

We are considering drafting a letter from the PAPA Board to Mr. Brooks and Mark Tolley asking what APS is doing with our 6% + \$30,000 a month + 2% of our budget.

We have not received our new MOU for renewal.

Randy Costales – Depending on how the next APS meeting goes, we will determine if we need a special meeting to discuss the APS issues.

Amy Anderson – I am willing to wait, but not until June meeting. We need special meeting if we do not receive answers at the next APS meeting.

Randall VanVleck – I would like to designate our president on behalf of the council to write a firm letter to Winston Brooks.

Motion: If the meeting with APS does not go well, Randy Costales is designated to write a firm letter to Winston Brooks outlining the above referenced issues: Randall VanVleck

Seconded: Amy Anderson

Unanimously approved

Agenda Item 11 – Lease Payment Assistance Application

Table Agenda Item 11 because we have not received an updated lease from APS

Agenda Item 12 – GC Board Member Agreement

Table Agenda Item 12 until next meeting.

Agenda Item 13 – Open Meetings Act Resolution

Table Agenda Item 13 until next meeting.

Agenda Item 14 – GC Training Discussion

E-mail Doreen if you would like to go to the Law Conference GC Training
5 hours of GC training are required

Agenda Item 15 – Review of Principal Evaluation Process

The principal evaluation process needs to be complete by June 2011
Doreen Winn has completed her PDP and Self Evaluation

Randy Costales – The GC should have a Special Closed Session June Meeting
to provide Doreen with an evaluation. Two or three GC members will write
comments and present to principal. Prior to the June GC Meeting I will compile
comments for the principal evaluation.

Special GC Meeting - Principal Evaluation Meeting – Special Meeting – Closed
Session – June 6, 2011 at 6:00 pm – meet at the ARC of NM –
Randy Costales will e-mail principal evaluation form prior to Special Meeting

Agenda Item 16 – Adjourn

Randy Costales adjourned the 5/16/11 meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jackie Danfelser