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**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday, August 25, 2009
4:00 PM
Faculty Cafeteria**

(* handouts referred to are on file in the Executive Director's office)

I. PRELIMINARY:

A. CALL TO ORDER: Rene Rodman 4:05PM

B. ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Amy Dresser Held (absent)

Darcy Stamler

Karen Perkins

John Riley (left at 6:40PM)

James Paleno (absent)

Torino Johnson (absent)

Patrice Fisher

Rene Rodman

Alex Shuhgalter

John Callas

Victoria Francis

Officers/Non-Voting Members

Greg Wood

Marcia Haskin

Azad Amanat (absent)

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM BOARD MEETING ON August 18, 2009. See final approved version at www.palihigh.org.

- John Callas moved that the Board approve the minutes from the August 18, 2009 Board Meeting as amended. Darcy Stamler seconded the motion.

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed

7 – yes (Mr. Alex Shuhgalter, Ms. Patrice Fisher, Mr. John Callas, Ms. Rene Rodman, Ms. Darcy Stamler, Dr. Karen Perkins, Dr. John Riley)

1- absent (Ms. Vicky Francis,)

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Non-agenda items: No individual presentation shall be for more than two (2) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed sixteen (16) minutes. Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation. Use of names of individuals should be avoided when referring to accusations or wrongdoing (names should be presented to the Executive Director for follow-up action). Speakers may choose to speak during the public comment segment and/or at the time an agenda item is presented.

- There were no public comments.

III. ACTION ITEMS:

A. PER REQUIREMENT OF PCHS BYLAWS, DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO REINSTATE BOARD MEMBER WHO DID NOT ATTEND THREE SUCCESSIVE BOARD MEETINGS.

- At this point Rene Rodman left the room to recuse herself from the discussion and action; Darcy Stamler then assumed the role of Chair for this Action Item.

- John Riley moved that the Board reinstate Board Member Rene Rodman who did not attend three successive Board meetings held in June due to being away on vacation. John Callas seconded the motion.

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed

6 – yes (Mr. Alex Shuhgalter, Ms. Patrice Fisher, Ms. Vicky Francis, Mr. John Callas, Ms. Darcy Stampler, Dr. Karen Perkins, Dr. John Riley)

1- absent (Ms. Rene Rodman)

IV. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS:

A. DRAFT GOVERNANCE PROCESS POLICIES. (see handouts)

- After much Board discussion it was determined that a revised draft would be prepared for posting on the Pali website for stakeholder input, and presented at stakeholder meetings for discussion and input.

B. DRAFT EXECUTIVE LIMITATIONS POLICY – HIRING. (see handouts)

- Board discussion primarily centered on the role of hiring committees and their composition, the need for training of members of hiring committees, and the potential establishment of a standing hiring committee.
- Discussion also focused on who would be the final decision maker for a particular hire – the supervisor of the potential hire, the hiring committee, or, in some cases, the Board.
- To help the Board reach consensus on this Policy, it was determined that a revised draft would be prepared for presentation and discussion at the next regular Board meeting.

Board Chair then announced agenda items for closed session.

VI. CLOSED SESSION: 6:40PM

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

Title: Finance Manager

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION b OF SECTION 54956.9

VII. PUBLIC SESSION: 7:04PM

- Rene Rodman announced that there was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: 7:05PM