



VALIENTE

COLLEGE PREPARATORY CHARTER SCHOOL

Meeting of the Board of Directors

August 22nd, 2016

7:00pm

8691 California Avenue, South Gate CA 90280

Open Session

1. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Williams

Meeting called to order at 7:10pm by Deena Williams.

Attendance:

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| Deena Williams, Board Chair | Present |
| Naeem Arastu, Board Member | Absent |
| Rudi Bonaparte, Board Treasurer | Present |
| Jessica Boro, Board Member | Present |
| Jennifer Bunn Hayden | Present |
| Carmen Avalos, Board Member | Present |
| Mark Racunas, Board Member | Present |
| Tyler Thurlow, Board Member | Absent |

Others in attendance:

Esther Perez, Executive Director

Carlos Alvarez, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Eric Young, Prospective Board Member

Samira Estila, ExED Representative (not as of 7:10pm)

2. Approve: June Board Meeting Minutes

D. Williams

Motion to accept minutes: Jess Boro

Seconded by Mark Racunas

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| Deena Williams, Board Chair | Approve |
| Naeem Arastu, Board Member | Absent |
| Rudi Bonaparte, Board Treasurer | Approve |
| Jessica Boro, Board Member | Approve |
| Jennifer Bunn Hayden | Abstention |
| Carmen Avalos, Board Member | Present (late, entered at approximately 7:15pm) |
| Mark Racunas, Board Member | Approve |
| Tyler Thurlow, Board Member | Absent |

Minutes & Motion Passes

3. Public Comment

D. Williams

Prospective Board Member Eric Young introduces himself with his background in operations and fiscal management while at Loyola Marymount University.

Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Carlos Alvarez, introduced himself and his background in teaching and education.

4. Review: Executive Director's Report

E. Perez

ED shares information on enrollment, breakdown of student population, current school initiatives and initial sentiments from parents taken anecdotally through first two weeks of school.

5. Review: Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Initial Academic Results

C. Alvarez

6. Review: Financial Report

ExED, Inc. Representative

Samira Estilai to review June data. June Dashboard of financials handed out.

7. Approve: FY15-16 Unaudited Actual Financial Report *ExED, Inc. Representative Samira Estilai* passed out Unaudited Actual Financials. Reviewed basic structure of handout.

Motion to accept Unaudited Financials: Rudi Bonaparte

Seconded by Carmen Avalos

No Questions

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| Deena Williams, Board Chair | Approve |
| Naeem Arastu, Board Member | Absent |
| Rudi Bonaparte, Board Treasurer | Approve |
| Jessica Boro, Board Member | Approve |
| Jennifer Bunn Hayden | Absent (stepped out) |
| Carmen Avalos, Board Member | Approve |
| Mark Racunas, Board Member | Approve |
| Tyler Thurlow, Board Member | Absent |

Motion carries.

8. Review/Approve: Board Member Retreat:

D. Williams

Board Retreat, September 25th, 2016. Valiente's Board members plan to think through 3 years of growth. The board wants to concentrate on its 1st class graduating. Areas to work on at the board retreat--- Leadership: 1) Facilities (Curriculum, Middle School & Academics, then Enrollment), 2) Governance (ensuring Board members are included and pipeline is created & goals for current leaders as well), 3 Fundraising. Day would include community circle, where Valiente was (review of past year), Where Valiente is (current), and where Valiente wants to go (future, 3 yr goals). Committee breakouts planned at this retreat and then a large come together with the committees presenting what they created and then a large group gathering together to discuss fundraising. Hermosa Beach community center is available, Mark Racunas to investigate location and options. September 29th, 2016 is the date. 9am to 4pm is tentative timing. E. Perez to finalize agenda and send out before meeting.

a) Board Member Committees

D. Williams

Governance: Deena Williams, Jenn Bunn Hayden (3rd: Jess Boro, 4th: Rudi Bonaparte)

Finance: Rudi Bonaparte, Naeem Arastu (potential if still interested and board approved: E. Young) (3rd: Mark Racunas)
Academics: Jess Boro, Carmen Avalos (3rd: potential if still interested and board approved: E. Young)
Facilities: Mark Racunas, Tyler Thurlow (3rd: Carmen Avalos)

b) Board Member Committee Chairs *D. Williams*
Governance: Deena Williams
Finance: Rudi Bonaparte
Academics: Jess Boro
Facilities: Mark Racunas

9. Board Member Communications *D. Williams*
None to report.

10. Adjourn Meeting *D. Williams*
Meeting Adjourned at 8:43pm.

****No Closed Session Needed at This Meeting.*