

**MINUTES**  
**TEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL**

October 21, 2015

**Present:** Morris, Avila, Carranza, Cunningham, Styles, Oh, Wooten, Perez, Reyes, Brown, Cruel, Leaks

**Absent:** Ford

Meeting started at 6:02 p.m.

**Minutes**

- Board received and reviewed minutes dated September 16, 2015. Wooten wanted clarification on the current enrollment of 286 for the middle school. Carranza confirmed the number as correct.
- Oh moved that the minutes be approved. Morris seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

**Executive Director's Report- Mildred Cunningham**

- Ms. Cunningham initiated magic circles at TEACH.
- A guest speaker is scheduled to visit the high school to present a lecture on adopting practices aligned with the "TEACH" way.
- TEACH has reinstated morning affirmations as well as one-on-one and small group counseling.
- Given the current over-enrollment at TEACH from grades 5-11, several proposals are being considered to address the issue by 2016-17, which include: conversion of Browning site to a 9th Grade Academy; purchase of properties (Bertha's Century Blvd or Western Avenue); renovation to the Multipurpose room.
- A committee comprised of Wooten, Leak, Reyes, Perez, Carranza, Brown, Avila, Stiles, and Cunningham are scheduled to meet next week to further research the aforementioned options decide the optimal way to expand TEACH.
- Pacific Western Bank wrote a check of \$2,500 to TEACH, Inc.
- Reyes moved that the Executive Director's Report be approved. Oh seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

### **Principal's Report- Dr. Raul Carranza**

- TEACH Tech Charter HS experienced an enrollment drop of 8 students so enrollment is now at 162 students, and is offering vacant spots to students on the waiting list.
- No new hires made this month.
- DVR visit was satisfactory. Middle school will receive a visit next week.
- Web sites for TEACH can now be accessed.
- Reported that Mr. Williams is in the process of starting a parent group.

### **Principal's Report- Greg Perez**

- The week-long student-led conferences are underway and will conclude this Friday.
- Middle school seeks to expand the menu of extracurricular activities available to students in middle school, in addition to the successful Skateboard Club.
- Instructional coaches are providing a lot of support to the new teacher. (e.g. open teacher forum, etc)
- TEACH Academy is in the process of designing academic/behavioral intervention programs for students.

### **Curriculum & Professional Development Report**

#### Teach Tech Charter

- Mr. Brown distributed district progress reports for the last benchmark exams administered to TEACH Academy of Technologies and TEACH Tech Charter HS last week.
- In the future, departments will create a benchmark earlier so that Cruel and Brown can ensure that exams reflect the proper level of rigor.
- Teachers are being enrolled in the MasteryConnect program so that they have immediate access to student data and can address gaps in student knowledge earlier.
- Coaches are focused on reviewing lesson plans from teachers (esp. 1st-2nd year teachers), and conducting both formal/informal observations of teachers.
- During the walkthroughs the focus is on student engagement as opposed to direct instruction.

## Teach Academy of Technologies

- Academic intervention through READ Theory and Khan Academy
- One of the teachers offered to teach ELD curriculum to the EL students.
- Afterschool All Stars donated over 600 books to TEACH.
- Teach Academy of Technologies and TEACH Tech High will publish newsletters to improve communication with parents.
- CELDT exams were administered to high school and exams will be administered to the middle school next year.
- Wooten moved that the Principals' Reports and Curriculum & Professional Development Reports be approved. Oh seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

## **Financial Report- Stephen Styles**

### TEACH Academy of Technologies

- Enrollment and ADA is higher than budget by 33 and 25, respectively. If the high enrollment continues to hold, the forecast will be adjusted to show the additional revenue.
- Additional funds totaling \$137k have been added to the forecast for the new one-time funds related to educator effectiveness and common core.
- The current forecast shows an increase in the expected year-end surplus of \$68k.

### TEACH Tech Charter HS

- Enrollment and ADA as of the end of September was higher than budget by 22 and 17, respectively. The forecast for this month was increased to 165 to account for the increase in enrollment.
- Additional funds totaling \$52k have been added to the forecast for the new one-time funds related to educator effectiveness and common core.
- Due to the larger facility, costs of utilities have increased. Additional costs have also been incurred to add maintenance and custodial staff.
- The current forecast shows an decrease in the expected year-end surplus of \$67k but the school is still forecasting a balanced budget and a \$7k surplus.

### TEACH Public Schools

- No significant changes or variations from the budget.

- Oh moved that the financial report be accepted and reviewed. Reyes seconded. All voted in favor of the motion.

Meeting went into closed session at 7:39 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.