



**Changemaker High School
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 24, 2021 (Time: 5:30 PM-7:30 PM)
1300 S. Belvedere Ave, Tucson, AZ 85711
(Virtual Zoom Meeting As Per Meeting Announcement)**

Our Mission: To provide an educational experience that transforms students into solution seekers that enhance the world around them.

Our Vision: Inspire a generational shift that redefines success in a changing world.

Board Members Present: J. Hoyos, N. Carrillo, C. Boyd, A. Fernandez

Staff Present: L. Perales, O. Medina, B. Valdillez

Virtual Agenda Items:

1. **Welcome- J. Hoyos-J. Hoyos started meeting at 5:37PM**
2. **Public Comments**
 - **3 Minute Time Limit-No public comments.**
3. **Consent Agenda- N. Carrillo moved to approve consent agenda. C. Boyd seconded. Full board approval.**
4. **Financial Report- V. Fuentes**
 - **Financial Update-**
 - **Balance Sheet-V.Fuentes said as of Jan. 31 had about \$31,000 in cash on hand. Expects that to improve with addition of new federal grants. V. Fuentes feels confident about ability to pay bills going forward. Talked about accounts receivable balance potentially decreasing with pending lease negotiation rate with Mexicayotl.**

- Profit & Loss Statement-Despite decreases this year in equalization and classroom site funds, V. Fuentes projected a large increase in federal funding thanks to the PPP Loan Round 2 which he feels confident we will get and the ESSER loan coming in. Expects a positive end of year balance as opposed to what would be a negative end of year balance without these two funding sources.
- Quarterly Financials
- ESSER 2-Department of Education emergency funds that can be drawn down.
- PPP Loan Round 2-Planning to receive funding for PPP loan which can also begin to draw down on that go towards payroll.
- Financial State of the School-Still long term questions about the enrollment of the school and how will be able to increase enrollment since PPP loan and ESSER 2 loan not sustainable. Somos Uno has helped pay utility bills. Difficult to hire additional full-time teacher position because of stipulations of federal funds we are receiving. Discussions being had around salary adjustments and L. Perales potentially going to part-time to create opening for a full-time English teacher. V. Fuentes feels like we could potentially shift things around to hire full-time teacher for next school year, but have to have enrollment to support it as well.
- Contractual Progress Report-V. Fuentes provided update on our financial action plan. Stated we have reduced restricted fund balances and expenses as much as we can. Have not been able to increase enrollment or meet our debt ratio. State financial auditor does not have concerns about school going into default, but unrestricted days of liquidity have continued to drop each quarter. V. Fuentes feels like this metric will improve after federal funds received.
- ACC/ASBCS Updates-In progress of updating the charter reps in ITE.
 - Charter Representatives
 - Board Members

5. CEO Report-L Perales

- *Covid19 Response Update*
 - *ADE/ADHS/PCHD Guidance*-L. Perales showed graphic from Pima County Health Department. Trends are improving, but recommendation from PCHD is still for schools to remain virtual.
 - *Vaccine/Reopening Survey*-L. Perales presented anonymous staff feedback on getting vaccinated. Majority of staff stated they will get the vaccine. Mixed results about the school having a formal COVID-19 vaccine policy and about going back to school under a hybrid model. Support for education to students around getting the vaccine and the majority of staff felt that we should begin to engage in additional community work. Staff

comments were largely against implementation of hybrid model for the rest of the school year.

- ***School Reopening Decision***-B. Valdillez gave board high level overview of parent and student feedback regarding return. Stated that the feedback had been mixed with some families wishing strongly to return, while others did not feel comfortable returning. Board had discussion and after discussion, asked L. Perales for more feedback from parents and students about the idea of going back to school. Special meeting in March to discuss reopening campus in 4th-quarter. Support amongst the board for re-opening in 4th-quarter for extra-curricular opportunities for students, but will make a final decision in March.
- ***Strategic Planning Update***
 - ***Dr. Shelly White & Dr. Jonathan White***-Consultant team introduced themselves to talk about some of the work they have already done around stakeholder interviews. Will be leading a board retreat in March to facilitate strategic direction the school will be going in. Board agreed on March 20th date for board retreat from 9AM-1PM.
 - ***Strategic Planning Progress***
 - ***Board Training Retreat***
- ***K20 Update***
 - **K20 Partners**
 - **Prescott- A. Fernandez/P. Burkhardt-P.Burkhardt** introduced himself. Provost of Prescott College. Talked about being in support of Changemaker and the K-20 partnership. College wants to continue to expand diversity amongst their student body and feels Changemaker adds to their vision.
 - **CMHS- L. Perales**
 - **Mexicayotl- B. Garcia/V. Garcia-B. Garcia** introduced himself as the rep from Mexicayotl. Talked about his desire for a stronger partnership and highlighted work for bi-lingual education.
 - **Arizona Serve**
- ***Strategic Partnership***
 - **Sierra Club Environmental Day @ AZ Capitol**-Changemaker staff member Mr. Medina spoke about how the youth had the opportunity to talk to state legislators about the importance of climate resilient communities. Wants to further strengthen partnership with Sierra Club.
 - **Chapman CARES**-Car dealership next to the school wants to take more active role in sponsoring events and donating to the school.
 - **Tucson Climate Project**-
 - **EcoChangemaker Network**-Secondary education getting into the space of conducting studies on climate studies. Focus is on

environmental and social justice and a report is coming out end of March.

6. Board Chair Report

- **Board Governance**
 - **Next Board Meeting**-Will likely have a special meeting in March to vote on reopening of school in 4th quarter.
 - **March Board Retreat**-Scheduled for the 20th.
- **Subcommittee Report**

7. Board Initiatives Report (Postponed)

- **Development Feasibility Team - Postponed**
- **CMHS Opportunity Fund - Postponed**
- **Community Investment Initiative - Postponed**

8. Executive Session

- **Mexicayotl Lease Agreement**-Went into executive session at 07:29PM with Mexicayotl representative B. Garcia to discuss lease amendment with Mexicayotl as a tenant of the property owned by Changemaker. Exited executive session at 07:47PM. N. Carrillo motioned to approve L. Perales to be signer of lease amendment agreement. C. Boyd seconded. Full board approval. Mexicayotl plans to move its entire Tucson school operation to the Changemaker campus in 2021.

9. Adjourn-J. Hoyos adjourned meeting at 07:51PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 21, 2021 on Changemaker High School ZOOM @ 5:30PM Standing Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87257497057>