

New Academy Charter School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday January 17, 2018 at 3:00 PM

Location

NASA - Prosperity Center 303 S Loma Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90017

**NEW ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
January 17, 2018
3:00 p.m.**

Public comment notice:

Individuals and representatives of organizations are invited to address the Board on any subject that falls within the Board's purview. If the item will be acted on at the Board Meeting, speakers are called on to speak prior to Board action on the item and in the first section of the public comment period. If the speaker's topic will not be voted on at the Board Meeting, their presentation is also made during the Public Comment portion of the meeting, but after comment on actionable items. Each speaker is limited to a three minute presentation.

AGENDA

Directors Present

B. Bradley, B. Stotzer, M. Cervantes, P. Didonato, R. Solorzano, V. Gil

Directors Absent

None

Guests Present

M. Sanchez, Sharon Bradley

I. Opening Items

A. Public Comment

1. Sharon Bradley, Charter Division, LAUSD, requested the board meet with NACP staff to discuss and answer any additional questions staff may have

regarding the resignation of administration staff. The board will follow up with request.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Solorzano called a meeting of the board of directors of New Academy Charter School to order on Wednesday Jan 17, 2018 @ 3:00 PM at NASA - Prosperity Center 303 S Loma Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

R. Solorzano made a motion to Call the meeting to order.

M. Cervantes seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Bradley Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

V. Gil Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

P. Didonato Aye

II. Minutes - Action Item

A. Minutes Approval: November 29, 2017 and December 19, 2017-Action Item

B. Bradley made a motion to approve the minutes for November 29, 2018 with noted amendments.

P. Didonato seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Bradley Aye

P. Didonato Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

V. Gil Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

B. Bradley made a motion to Approve the Minutes for December 19, 2017 with noted amendments.

P. Didonato seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

P. Didonato Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

V. Gil Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Bradley Aye

III. Financial Report

A. November Financials- Action Item

The Board reviewed the Financial Dashboard, Financial analysis report, Check Register and Credit Card report for November for NASA and NACP. Both schools have a positive cash flow.

M. Cervantes made a motion to approve NACP and NASA November 2017 Financial Report.

P. Didonato seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

P. Didonato Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Bradley Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

V. Gil Aye

NACP Investment account was discussed.

B. Stotzer made a motion to Motion made to add one million dollars to the investment account.

M. Cervantes seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Stotzer Aye

P. Didonato Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Bradley Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

V. Gil Aye

B. Bank Signature Resolution for NASA and NACP

- Resolution for NACP-Victor agreed to be a signer (there will now be three people that will be authorized signatures).
- Need to have following cards issued:
 - Citi membership Costco card
 - Chase Credit Card

M. Cervantes made a motion to Approve NASA and NACP Bank Signatures for each schools checking account.

P. Didonato seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

V. Gil Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Bradley Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

P. Didonato Aye

M. Cervantes made a motion to Approve both bank resolutions.

B. Stotzer seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

B. Stotzer Aye

V. Gil Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

B. Bradley Aye

P. Didonato Aye

IV. Governance

A. Board Member Nomination

Pat Didonato introduced her and was vetted by our Charter Board Partners. Board candidate Martha Arias was introduced to the board and shared her background. (See attached resume). She has extensive experience in human resources, one of the expertise areas cited for new board positions in NEW Academy's Strategic Plan.

P. Didonato made a motion to Approve Martha Arias' nomination to serve as a board member.

B. Bradley seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. Solorzano Aye

V. Gil Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

P. Didonato Aye

B. Board Members -Resignations

Bea Stotzer and Maggie Cervantes announced their resignation effective February 1, 2018 and will serve on the Advisory Committee. Their resignations were accepted by the Board.

B. Bradley made a motion to Accept the resignation of Bea Stotzer and Maggie Cervantes and appoint Patricia Didonato as the Board Secretary to replace Maggie Cervantes.

R. Solorzano seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

V. Gil Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

B. Bradley Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

P. Didonato Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

C. Ed Moreno's Recognition

- Ed was one of our founding board member.
- Make sure to include the story about our NEW Academy heroes
- Maggie Cervantes reported that she spoke to Mr. Moreno and would be delighted to have lunch meeting with board members to celebrate his many years of the service to the board. Cervantes will follow up and schedule a date..

V. ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

A. Charter Petition Updates

B. Chief Academic Specialist Report-Information Only

C. NACP -Acting Principal Report- Information Only

Dr. Guerrero gave a report overview: (See full report on Board on Track)

- Provided updates on current enrollment which is now 503 students enrolled
- Assessments-4th grading period currently
- Testing will begin on February 29th
- Discussed the ELPAC training -

- Reviewed School Site Council meeting
- Described the gardening project with CSUN, parents and student
- STEAM-Last summer had PD-Cognitive Guided Instruction was done by Caring Latinos

D. NASA - Principal Todd Report -Information Only

Dr. Todd gave a report overview: (See full report in Board on Track)

- Dr. Todd reviewed the key elements of the reports being prepared to be submitted to LAUSD
- Distributed the Rocket News Bulletin
- Announced the Soy Bilingue Conference

VI. Closed Session

A. Personnel Issues

Board was updated on NACP Administrative Staff resignations

VII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

R. Solorzano made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

M. Cervantes seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

V. Gil Aye

M. Cervantes Aye

B. Bradley Aye

R. Solorzano Aye

P. Didonato Aye

B. Stotzer Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. Solorzano