

NEW Academy Board Meeting Minutes

Date and Time

Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 5:00 PM PDT

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 Comment portion of the meeting, but after comment on actionable items. Each speaker is limited to a three-minute presentation. The time is doubled if an interpreter is required.

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Meeting ID: 689 454 1581

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**NASA: 379 Loma Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90017
213.413.9183**

**NACP: 21425 Cohasset Street
Canoga Park, CA 91303
818.710.2640**

Agenda Items

a. Opening Items

The School Board meeting began at 5:00 p.m. after confirming quorum.

b. Record Attendance & Guest-P or A

Patricia DiDonato recorded the attendance.

Board Members: (P) Present-(A) Absent

- Victor Gil, President (P)
- Brent Bradley, Treasurer (P)
- Patricia DiDonato, Secretary (P)
- Martha Arias, Vice President (P)
- Bea Stotzer, Member (P)
- Beth Tishler, Member (P)
- Mary V. Rosas Member (A)
- Judy Davidds-Wright Member (A)

Advisory Board Members:

- Ron Solorzano (A)
- Maggie Cervantes (A)

Staff:

- Dr. Eric Todd, NACP School Principal (P)
- David Martinez, NASA School Principal (P)
- Heather De Revere, NACP AP (A)
- Nelsy Jackson, NASA AP (P)
- Eddie Castro, School Business Manager, (P) NASA/NACP
- Patricia McBride, NACP (P)
- Navelle Molina, NACP (P)
- Vanessa Garcia, NACP (A)
- Angelica Ortega, NASA (P)
- Ana Chavez, NASA (A)
- Jimena Barrera (A)

Back Office Providers:

- Cindy Franz, EdTec (P)
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Consultants

- Marta Sanchez, (P)
- Alma Marquez, Cindy Madrid-Del Sol Group (A)

Visitors

- Daniela Yniguez (NACP, First-Grade Teacher)

c. Call the Meeting to Order (A or P)

Victor Gil called the meeting to order succeeded by the roll call.

Roll Call

- Victor Gil, President (P)
- Brent Bradley, Treasurer (P)
- Patricia DiDonato, Secretary (P)
- Martha Arias, Vice President (P)
- Bea Stotzer, Member (P)
- Beth Tishler, Member (P)
- Mary V. Rosas Member (A)
- Judy Davidds-Wright Member (A)

d. Public Comment (Yes or No)

There was No public comment.

e. Consent Calendar:

1. Approve Minutes from May 25, 2022,
Board Meeting

Patricia DiDonato made the motion to approve them. Victor Gil seconded the motion
V.Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board member votes:

- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

2. Approve: Emergency Declaration Renewal of
AB361 Board Findings Pursuant to Government
Code Section 54953 (e)

Patricia DiDonato made the motion to approve the Emergency Declaration Renewal of
AB361 Board Findings Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953 (e).

Victor Gil seconded the motion

V.Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board member votes:

- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)

- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

f. Financials:

1. EdTec Finance Presentation

C. Frantz presented the budget proposal.

- The enrollment estimate for both schools is higher than what was calculated.
- The budget recommended for approval for NASA is \$95,949 in net income. It does not include the \$1,375 per ADA due to uncertainty on restrictions.
- For NACP, the budget recommended for approval is \$309,710. Again, it does not include the \$1,375 per ADA.
- Based on what was presented at the last Board meeting, the only change is staffing. At NASA there will be shared office support, and at NACP, we reduced a teacher based on grade level enrollment.

Discussion took place and C. Frantz responded to board questions about the funds, restrictions and the type of expenditures that could be used.

2. Approve Prosperity Center Classroom Renovation

Eddie Castro updated the Board on the Prosperity Center classroom renovation. After careful review, there will be a \$20,000 reduction from the originally quoted from, Right Measure Builders. The quote originally was for \$71,400, but now it stands at \$50,600. E. Castro requested Board approval on the Right Measure Builders bid.

- E. Castro provided an overview of the bid process and noted that Right Measure Builders were the only bidder who agreed to make changes to the agreement and do another walkthrough.
- B. Stotzer added that there were things being overcharged (electrical, painting), and the HVAC are now going to be done for a lot less than what it was originally proposed.
- V. Gil asked if references were checked. Eddie Castro confirmed that out of three references, they could contact two, which were positive.
- C. Frantz commented on Federal funds used for construction. Eddie Castro stated that ESSER II funds would be used, and the contractors know the requirements.

B. Bradley made the motion to approve Right Measure Builders to do the classroom renovation work at Prosperity Center.

Patricia DiDonato seconded the motion.

Victor Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board members votes:

Brent Bradley (Y)

Patricia DiDonato (Y)

Martha Arias (Y)

Bea Stotzer (Y)

Beth Tishler (Y)

Victor Gil (Y)
Motion unanimously approved.

3. Approve Vendor List Changes

Eddie Castro presented the vendor list changes. At NACP we added Bay Alarm, Sun Bells, Staffing, Payroll System (COBRA), and Copy Free. At NASA and NACP we added BREA, which is the IT company that will replace Beehively.

B.Stotzer made the motion to approve the vendor list changes as submitted.
Patricia DiDonato seconded the motion.

V.Gil proceeded with the roll call of Board member votes:

- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Beth Tishler (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

4. Approve SNP Meal Program/Nutrition

- E. Castro presented the SNP Meal Program/Nutrition for NACP. Every three years, the State of California requires schools under the meal program to sick three bids regardless of whether we like the current provider or not.
- E. Castro stated that we received multiple bids from different vendors but only three submitted full proposals.
- The food vendors are Better 4 You Meals, Fresh Start, and School Nutrition Plus. The lowest bid came from School Nutrition Plus at \$451,800. This is NACP's current provider. Based on the rating scale of 20/24 and price,
- E. Castro requested approval for School Nutrition Plus

B. Bradley made the motion to approve SNP Meal Program/Nutrition.
Martha Arias seconded the motion.

Victor Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board member votes

- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Beth Tishler (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

5. Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

E. Castro presented the single plan for student achievement (SPSA) as an informational item for the Board because the LCAP serves as the SPSA for charter schools that are Title I schools.

g. Educational Excellence:

1. School Site Administrator Reports

- a. Culmination Highlights
- b. Summer School Planning

E.Todd, NACP Principal, presented his administrator report. Enrollment, based on the report, is projected to be 420. E.Todd showed the annual banner of the class of 2022. E.Todd reported that the unveiling of the banner was an exciting moment for students and parents alike. The banner contained the students' names and what they wanted to become when they grew up. E.Todd thanked M.Sanchez for delivering such inspirational message to the students. Parents enjoyed the performance of the fifth-grade choir in English and Spanish. 58 fifth-graders got promoted.

N. Molina presented information on the summer program. Intervention session from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. in targeted subject areas such as reading, math, ELD, intervention, and enrichment. Weekly themes are similar to those of the Learning Center: Ocean and ocean animals, astronomy OutSpace, arts, creepy crawly bugs, and chemistry. Teachers and staff came to school Monday and Tuesday to plan for the summer program based on information provided by the classroom teachers. They also worked on pre and post-assessment, intervention, and enrichment activities. Common Core State Standards and English Language Development Standards will be used for planning. The New Learning Center will include STEAM projects, recreations, project-based learning in their sixth week. They will work with Creating Creators.

N. Molina explained that there are 20 students per grade level. Currently, there are 120 students enrolled, and there is a waitlist.

B. Stotzer asked: If there is historical binder that stores information since inception on what the students have dreamed of what they want to be? This would help with Alumni involvement in future activities.

E. Todd said he had a conversation with Ramiro who hangs the banners and E.Todd will follow up on gathering information from all the banners. He stated that a parent said to him that they had children who attended the school and went to college, and the children would love to come to NACP and talk to the students.

D. Martinez, NASA's Principal, presented his administrator report. D. Martinez shared slides with the fifth-grade promotion agenda, names of students who graduated, and pictures of the fifth grade and kindergarten promotion. D. Martinez stated that this year the fifth-grade ceremony was held in Casa Loma. Two guests per family were able to attend the ceremony. The kinder promotions were held at Villa Mariposa. Parents were wonderfully excited.

D. Martinez spoke about the science and engineering week fair Kindergarten through second-grade grew plants, observed and talked about them. Third through fifth-grade students did science and engineering, constructing a bridge to see how sound the construction was. It took a lot of planning and testing. The first part, students presented their projects to their site, and in the second part the four campuses toured to see all the projects. Representatives from each classroom presented to the student visitors.

A. Ortega presented on the summer program and noted both schools have pretty much the same activities. NASA enrolled 136 students in their summer program and have a waitlist in kindergarten, first-grade. There is a big interest in NASA's summer program.

D. Martinez added that they have been collaborating with Marlene regularly, and it has been great working with NEW and collaborating with them in this project.

M. Sanchez mentioned that P.DiDonato introduced them to Creating Creators, and it's been phenomenal. They accommodated third through fifth-graders. They bring in professional filmmakers to work with the kids.

P. DiDonato expressed that Creating Creators have been very successful and many schools have benefited.

2. Student Data Sharing and Reports
NASA/NACP (tabled)

h. Governance:

1. Approve Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) (Already reviewed at public hearing)
 - a. Budget overview for Parents
 - b. Local Indicators

E. Todd presented on the LCAP. He stated that the Board had already reviewed the document as it was sent to the Board. E. Todd mentioned that at the next Board meeting, the Principals and Vice-Principals will disaggregate the data, going through the percentages. For tonight, everything in the LCAP has been presented at the public hearing. E. Todd said that they just need to vote for both schools.

B. Stotzer made the motion to approve Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) (Already reviewed at public hearing).

B. Bradley seconded the motion.

Victor Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board member votes:

- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Beth Tishler (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

2. Approve Operating Budget 2022-2023

Bea Stotzer made the motion to approve the operating budget. Brent Bradley seconded the motion. Victor Gil proceeded with the roll call of the Board members to vote on the motion:

- B. Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Beth Tishler (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

3. Approve FY22-23 Board Calendar

P. DiDonato. made the motion to approve the operating budget. Victor Gil seconded the motion and proceeded with the roll call of the Board members to vote on the motion:

- Brent Bradley (Y)
- Patricia DiDonato (Y)
- Martha Arias (Y)
- Bea Stotzer (Y)
- Beth Tishler (Y)
- Victor Gil (Y)

Motion unanimously approved.

4. TK Planning Review & discussion

C. Franz stated that we received \$65,000 for each school for TK planning as part of the universal Pre-K/TK expansion implemented by the state. TK means that students can enroll students before turning five. After turning five by December, schools will receive ADA. The only change is that it rolls back by two months every year. We need to develop a plan on how to handle the enrollment based on the age changes.

M.Sanchez said that she will work on the TK planning with the Principals. Hopefully this new approach will help our enrollment.

5. New Academy 22-23 School Instructional Calendar

D. Martinez presented the school instructional calendar. He confirmed that it was sent out. D. Martinez mentioned that the calendar is 180 days. Minimum days have a little triangle. School will start on August 16th and will end on June 9th. Pre-service week shows in blue. During pre-week there is professional development for all staff on needed subjects.

E. Todd mentioned that both schools calendars are the same.

B. Bradley made the motion to approve the school instructional calendar.

V. Gil seconded the motion and proceeded with the roll call of the Board members to vote on the motion:

- Brent Bradley (Y)
 - Patricia DiDonato (Y)
 - Martha Arias (Y)
 - Bea Stotzer (Y)
 - Beth Tishler (Y)
 - Victor Gil (Y)
- Motion unanimously approved.

i. Closed Session Section 54957:

Public Employment

1. Employee Contract Review and Renewal

j. Report out of Closed Session: No Action Taken

k. Adjourn