

MINUTES
URBAN CORPS OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY CHARTER SCHOOL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
3127 Jefferson St. San Diego CA 92110

December 8th, 2017 – 9:00 a.m.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/

CALL TO ORDER: 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Diane Chalmers, Atousa Monjazebe, John Mendez, Ingrid Nielsen, Karen Ludwig, Shelly Marcus

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

UCCS/MONO STAFF PRESENT: Dan Thomas, Lisa Adams, Caty Ecklund

GUESTS/UCO STAFF PRESENT: Anne Bernstein, Kyle Kennedy

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REPORTS: **THE BOARD MAY, IF TIME PERMITS, TAKE BOARD REPORTS AND SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AT ANY TIME DURING THE MEETING AND NOT AT A SPECIFIC TIME.**

There will be no board discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to staff, and no action will be taken unless listed elsewhere on the agenda or on a subsequent agenda:

CONSENT AGENDA: All consent agenda items for the URBAN CORPS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion unless a board member requests separate action on a specific item. Approval recommended on all items listed:

Warrant Registers —

Karen motions to accept warrant registers for July 2017 through the present. Atousa seconded the motion while Ingrid abstains and the motion carries. The warrant registers are approved.

Approval of Minutes from the September 15th, 2017 meeting

Karen motions to accept the minutes from the Sept 15th meeting. Atousa seconded the motion and the motion carries. The minutes are approved.

INFORMATIONAL:**1. DASS Criteria Reporting**

Lisa reported on the criteria and narrative descriptions submitted to the Department of Education for the Dashboard Alternative Accountably System. Items reported on included compliance with state requirements for credentialed teacher assignments, an initial implementation designation for state academic standards curriculum alignment, beginning development designation for improving delivery of instruction, beginning development of a career technical education program, beginning development designation for health and art programs, and beginning development designation for professional development programs. Priorities three and four were completed using the charter school's LCAP and WASC goals, and LCFF. The DASS is now live and accessible to the public on the California Department of Education's website.

NEW BUSINESS:**1. Action Item — Approval of Interim Financials**

Caty explains that the original budget was changed for the interim, including changes to classified salaries due to differences in years of experience from what was originally budgeted for new hires. There was a change to supplies and operating services budget due to carry over from previous year being cried down as a result of ETP and Lottery funds; which must be spent on student consumables. The multiyear projection indicates the charter school has a 19% reserve. The budget may be reduced in the 2nd interim should projected ADA of 245 not be on track. This would in turn reduce the second year's projected reserve of 26%. A better estimate of the impact of such an adjustment will come in March when ADA trends become clearer. Atousa motions to approve the interim financials and Shelly seconds the motion. Ingrid abstains from the vote and the motion carries.

2. Action Item — Approval of 2018 Board Meeting Dates

Caty requested that the September 21st meeting be changed to September 14th due to a conflict with the Mono County Office of Education board meeting schedule. Ingrid moves to approve the Board meeting dates with the change of dates, which is seconded by Ingrid and the motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

The Dean of Education, Dan Thomas reports on the state of ADA and the fact that it is substantially lower than intended targets for this school year. Discussion between Mono County and Urban Corps Executive staff are on-going. The Corps to Career department, in combination with Urban Corps' Human Resources department is ramping up recruitment efforts to ensure that enrollment numbers increase by the start of the second semester. Low enrollment is the result of an overall low un-employment rate throughout the

county, in combination with a higher graduation rates within the County. The Dean also reported that the charter school’s proposal to become the education provider for the CCC site in Placer City has been placed on hold until June to allow for leadership and facility changes over the next semester.

**SUPERINTENDENTS
REPORT:**

Caty reported for the Superintendent that she had arranged for the California Collaboration for Educational Excellence to visit Urban Corps Charter School in January to assist with the development of the new LCAP. State education leaders are looking to understand the policy stances of potential candidates for the next governor’s race in an effort to predict the future focus of educational policy. Based on current information, it is believed that Early Childhood education will be an important topic of state policy makers. This may have implications for profit, private charter schools. The 2018 LCAP will serve as a great opportunity to demonstrate the schools effective programs.

**BOARD MEMBERS’
REPORTS:**

Atousa reported that indicators within her industry suggest that the real estate market will soon experience a drop in value, which could provide an opportunity for the school, in partnership with Urban Corps, to acquire additional school space.

John suggested that the school entertain potential speakers for graduation that are reflective of student demographic. He suggested inspirational business leaders, including Andrew Lee, the CEO of ESET North America, and other industry leaders whose experiences and life stories are similar to those of our student population. Atousa added that former corpsmembers who have encountered academic and career success post Urban Corps, would also be effective speakers.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:59 am