

# Youth Policy Institute Charter Schools (YPICS)

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Monday June 17, 2019 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

Bert Corona Charter High School - 12513 Gain Street, Pacoima CA 91331

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Meeting Call In Number: (605) 313-5086, Access# 1004153.

Board Members calling in from 17112 Minnehaha Street, Granada Hills, CA 91344; 501 S. Bixel Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017; 25024 Highspring Avenue, Newhall, CA 91321; 1625 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015; 17037 Chatsworth Street, Granada Hills, California 91344.

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#### **Trustees Present**

A. Reza, J. Lucente, M. Green, S. Mendoza

#### **Trustees Absent**

C. Lopez, C. Vaquerano, M. Keipp

#### **Guests Present**

D. Gamez, I. Castillo, R. Duenas, R. Quon, S. Castellon, Y. Fuentes, Y. King-Berg, Y. Zubia

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

J. Lucente called a meeting of the board of trustees of Youth Policy Institute Charter Schools (YPICS) to order on Monday Jun 17, 2019 at 6:21 PM.

#### **C. Flag Salute**

There was no flag salute as a flag was not present in the classroom.

**D. Additions/Corrections to Agenda**

There were no corrections or additions to the agenda.

**E. Approval of May 28, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes**

M. Green made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 05-28-19 Board Meeting on 05-28-19.

S. Mendoza seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

C. Vaquerano	Absent
S. Mendoza	Aye
M. Keipp	Absent
C. Lopez	Absent
M. Green	Aye
A. Reza	Aye
J. Lucente	Aye

**II. Communications**

**A. Presentations from the Public**

There were no presentations from the Public.

**III. Items Scheduled For Information**

**A. Facilities Update**

**B. Bert Corona Executive Administrator Report**

**C. Monsenor Oscar Romero Executive Administrator Report**

**D. Bert Corona Charter High School Executive Administrator Report**

**E. Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director's Report Excerpt:

"The schools have experienced higher challenges this year than in years past. Students are in greater need of social-emotional supports today than previously. The lack of models of civility and bullying in leadership, communicated in the daily news that our families regularly source has created a highly stressed everyday living environment. Survival is the core to the thinking of our students. "Ms. King-Berg, We don't always want to be, or act tough or be bad, but we have to be that in order to get from school to home without getting beat up. You have to be tough to survive our streets. If not, weak people

don't survive. We don't want to be this way. We come to school everyday and we try to start over but bad habits are hard to break."-A YPICS student.

Teachers reported through several mini surveys provided throughout the school year during YPICS-wide PDs that they felt that needed more support with PBIS strategies in the classroom. The increases in adverse behavior incidents made it challenging to remain focused and intentional to instruction periodically. They also reported that they need more consistent and regular feedback on teaching throughout the year. And they want to engage in additional instructional rounds during the 2019-2020 school year.

As a result of reviewing all available data formative, summative, and surveys to date, YPICS is awaiting the Youth Truth Survey results and analysis, YPICS will focus on the following areas for the 2019-2020 school year:

- Consistent Classroom Management Strategies in all classrooms to create emotionally safe spaces for ALL students (Relay GSE Instructional Leadership PD)
- Support rigorous, thinking-rich classes (Relay GSE Instructional Leadership PD)
- Weekly observation and feedback to teachers (Relay GSE Instructional Leadership PD)
- Focus on Data, Data, Data
- Joy

Goals:

- Decrease Chronic Absenteeism to below 5% (students out of school don't grow academically)
- Decrease suspensions and expulsions below 3 %
- Become the fastest growing middle and high schools in increasing student academic achievement in ELA and Math (including ELs and students with IEPs) by 5%+.

System Changes to support the above:

- Changed bell schedules to ensure in-school intervention with teachers for both Math and ELA
- Adopted new YPICS (grades 5th-12th) Benchmark Assessment-iReady, which will replace NWEA Maps to better support teachers with the data analysis and guidance on what the students are ready to learn next.
- Middle School Math Adoption of Ready Math with Curriculum Associates
- Clarified and redefined the composition (members), scope of work, and direct data outcomes for the YPICS' Instructional Teams, School Climate and Culture Teams, and Parent & Community Teams.
- Ensure a viable rigorous curriculum is available for all subject areas (middle schools subjects other than math-Achievement First, and the high school will continue to use UC doorways approved UCI curriculum aligned to the CTE pathways). Middle Schools Math Adoption is Ready Math.

We will continue to provide social-emotional support to our students through the following counseling services:

- Luminarias Counseling Services
- Part-Time Social Worker
- PUC MFT Counseling Services

The above 2019-2020 YPICS Plan includes both first and second order changes. 8 Members (Executive Director, Executive Administrators, Directors of Instruction, Special Education Director) of the YPICS Instructional will be attending the first Relay Instructional Leadership PD in Los Angeles July 14-19, 2019.

We will submit the Bert Corona Charter High School Renewal Petition in July as planned and are on track to do so. We will provide you with updates throughout the summer."

## **F. YPICS BOARD OF DIRECTORS'S MEETINGS FOR 2019-2020**

### **IV. Consent Agenda Items**

#### **A. Background**

#### **B. Consent Items**

M. Green made a motion to approve the consent agenda items 1 - 6.

A. Reza seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

J. Lucente	Aye
A. Reza	Aye
M. Green	Aye
S. Mendoza	Aye
C. Lopez	Absent
M. Keipp	Absent
C. Vaquerano	Absent

### **V. Items Scheduled For Action**

#### **A. Recommendation to approve the May 2019 YPICS Financials and Check Registers**

This item was not available and no vote was taken.

#### **B. Recommendation to approve 2019-2020 budgets for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS**

S. Mendoza made a motion to approve the FY 19-20 budgets for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS.

M. Green seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

J. Lucente Aye  
M. Keipp Absent  
S. Mendoza Aye  
C. Lopez Absent  
A. Reza Aye  
C. Vaquerano Absent  
M. Green Aye

**C. Recommendation to approve 2019-2020 technology upgrades and software licenses**

M. Green made a motion to approve the FY 19-20 technology upgrades and software licenses.

A. Reza seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Mendoza Aye  
M. Green Aye  
C. Vaquerano Absent  
C. Lopez Absent  
J. Lucente Aye  
A. Reza Aye  
M. Keipp Absent

**D. Recommendation to approve Education Protection Act spending Plans and Resolutions for 2019-2020**

S. Mendoza made a motion to approve the Education Protection Act Spending Plans and Resolutions for FY2019-2020.

M. Green seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Mendoza Aye  
J. Lucente Aye  
M. Keipp Absent  
M. Green Aye  
A. Reza Aye  
C. Lopez Absent  
C. Vaquerano Absent

**E. Recommendation to approve LCAP and ESSA Federal addendums for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS**

M. Green made a motion to approve the Local Control & Accountability Plans (LCAPS) and Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Federal Addendums for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS.

S. Mendoza seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Green	Aye
A. Reza	Aye
S. Mendoza	Aye
M. Keipp	Absent
J. Lucente	Aye
C. Lopez	Absent
C. Vaquerano	Absent

**F. Recommendation to approve Performance Indicator Review Improvement Plans for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS**

M. Green made a motion to approve the Performance Indicator Review Improvement Plans for BCCS, MORCS, and BCCHS.

S. Mendoza seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Keipp	Absent
S. Mendoza	Aye
J. Lucente	Aye
C. Lopez	Absent
C. Vaquerano	Absent
M. Green	Aye
A. Reza	Aye

**G. Recommendation to approve 2019-2020 Salary Schedules**

S. Mendoza made a motion to approve the FY2019-2020 Salary Schedules.

M. Green seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Reza	Aye
M. Keipp	Absent
S. Mendoza	Aye
M. Green	Aye
C. Lopez	Absent
J. Lucente	Aye
C. Vaquerano	Absent

**H.**

**Recommendation to receive revised costs for illuminate Education, Inc Software Licenses for 2019-202**

M. Green made a motion to receive revised costs for Illuminate Education, Inc. Software Licenses for the FY2019-2020.

A. Reza seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Reza	Aye
M. Keipp	Absent
S. Mendoza	Aye
C. Vaquerano	Absent
M. Green	Aye
C. Lopez	Absent
J. Lucente	Aye

**VI. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Y. Zubia