

# Youth Policy Institute Charter Schools (YPICS)

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Monday December 7, 2015 at 6:00 PM

**Location**

Monsenor Oscar Romero Charter School - 1157 S. Berendo Street, Los Angeles, CA 90006

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**MISSION** The mission of the YPI Charter Schools is to: Prepare students for academic success in high school, as well as post - secondary education. Prepare students to be responsible and active participants in their community. Enable students to become life-long learners. Students at YPI Charter Schools will become active citizens who characterize the ideals of adverse and democratic society. Students will provide service to their community, take responsibility for their own learning, and develop the habits of mind and body that will empower them to be successful in high school and beyond. Instructions for Presentations to the Board by Parents and Citizens

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### **Trustees Present**

C. Vaquerano, G. Straub, J. Lucente, J. Williams, M. Keipp, S. Mendoza

### **Trustees Absent**

A. Reza

### **Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

J. Williams

### **Guests Present**

I. Castillo, J. Castillo, K. Gamez, K. Myers, R. Duenas, R. Ruiz, V. Nutt, Y. King-Berg, Y. Zubia

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## **I. Opening Items**

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

G. Straub called a meeting of the board of trustees of Youth Policy Institute Charter Schools (YPICS) to order on Monday Dec 7, 2015 at 6:15 PM.

### **B. Record Attendance and Guests**

## **II. Communications**

### **A. Presentations From The Public**

There were no presentations from the public.

## **III. Consent Agenda Items**

### **A. LACOE EFT Payments**

S. Mendoza made a motion to approve the LACOE EFT Payments.

M. Keipp seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

M. Keipp     Aye

A. Reza     Absent

J. Lucente   Aye

C. Vaquerano Aye

**Roll Call**

G. Straub     Aye  
S. Mendoza   Aye  
J. Williams   Absent

**B. Teacher Effectiveness Funding Plan - Bert Corona Charter and Oscar Romero Charter**

S. Mendoza made a motion to Approve the Teacher Effectiveness Funding Plans for Bert Corona Charter and Monsenor Oscar Romero Charter.

M. Keipp seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

G. Straub     Aye  
M. Keipp     Aye  
A. Reza       Absent  
S. Mendoza   Aye  
J. Williams   Absent  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
J. Lucente    Aye

**IV. Academic Achievement**

**A. Director of Academic Achievement's Report**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

**B. Director of Special Education's Report**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

**V. Finance**

**A. Review and Approve YPI Charter Schools' September 2015 Financials**

J. Williams arrived.

J. Lucente made a motion to To approve the September 2015 financials for YPI Charter Schools including a review of the check registers and financial ledgers as submitted.

G. Straub seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Reza       Absent  
G. Straub     Aye

**Roll Call**

M. Keipp Aye  
J. Williams Aye  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye  
J. Lucente Aye

- Bert Corona submitted their SB740 at the end of last fiscal year and received the entire amount back and has a projected income of \$473,000.
- Monsenor Oscar Romero has \$38,000 in additional revenue due to enrollment increases.
- YPI Valley Pubic Charter High School's enrollment has increased to 67 students and continues to increase steadily.

**B. Review and Approve YPI Charter Schools' October 2015 Financials**

J. Lucente made a motion to To approve the October 2015 financials for YPI Charter Schools including a review of the check registers and financial ledgers as submitted.

G. Straub seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

A. Reza Absent  
M. Keipp Aye  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
G. Straub Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye  
J. Lucente Aye  
J. Williams Aye

**C. Amazon Line of Credit**

An Amazon catalog has been in Spendbridge, our current procurement program, which will allow the organization to be invoiced from Amazon. YPICS will be able to create a purchase order and pay the invoice in a streamlined manner. Credit cards will no longer have to be used for Amazon purchases.

J. Williams made a motion to approve an Amazon line of credit in the amount of \$10,000.

J. Lucente seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

M. Keipp Aye  
A. Reza Absent  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
G. Straub Aye  
J. Williams Aye

**Roll Call**

J. Lucente Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye

**D. YPICS 14-15 Audit**

J. Williams made a motion to approve the YPICS FY2014-2015 audit.  
J. Lucente seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

M. Keipp Aye  
J. Lucente Aye  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
G. Straub Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye  
J. Williams Aye  
A. Reza Absent

**E. YPICS 15-16 1st Interim**

M. Keipp made a motion to approve the YPICS 15-16 1st Interim.  
J. Lucente seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**Roll Call**

G. Straub Aye  
A. Reza Absent  
C. Vaquerano Aye  
M. Keipp Aye  
J. Williams Aye  
J. Lucente Aye  
S. Mendoza Aye

**VI. Facilities**

**A. Prop 39 Update - MORCS and YPIVPCHS**

Monsenor Oscar Romero will have space for 346 students and YPI Valley Public Charter High School will have 171.

**VII. Lead Administrator Reports**

**A. Director of Operation's Report - BCCS**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack.

**B.**

### **Director of Operation's Report - MORCS**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

### **C. Director of Instruction's Report - YPIVCHS**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack.

## **VIII. Directors' Reports**

### **A. Director of Technology's Report**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

### **B. Director of Marketing's Report**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

### **C. Director of School Culture and Climate's Report**

The Director's report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack.

## **IX. Chief Operations Officer's Report**

### **A. COO's October 2015 Report**

- Central Office - four plans are complete and waiting on two more. Finish date is estimated to be in Mid- January.
- Oscar Romero Gym
  - The 1st floor will be the lockers and the 2nd floor the gym.
  - The front of the gym will be lined with greenery and the 2nd floor balcony will have a view of the community.
  - Received a greenery grant to use if the district cannot cover the cost of the greenery.

## **X. Executive Director's Report**

### **A. Executive Director's Report**

- ESSA approved was approved by the house. This will give local counties more accountability and control

- LAUSD Fiscal Report - Important report to read to consider the fiscal impacts on the overall operations. There are lessons and concerns that YPICS can learn by reading this report.
- CCSA continues to advocate for schools. However, two charters were no renewed this year. It is incumbent upon us to continue to strive toward organizational excellence, so that all of our students attain strong academic outcomes.

The Executive Director's full report is uploaded and available on BoardOnTrack. The Executive Director was also in attendance and available to respond to any board member inquiries.

## **XI. 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 8:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Y. Zubia