



PALISADES CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Charter Committee Meeting Minutes from May 3, 2019

Attendance

Dara Williams
Pam Magee
Monica Iannessa
Tami Christopher
Larry Wiener
Student – Maddie Stein
Daphne Gronich
Keri Kraft

Approval of minutes:
Tabled to next meeting

Question was raised: Do we want to change the charter so that we have some appointed seats. The decision is essentially to have a Plan B, like Granada's Charter. Looking for people who are interested in the school and/or bring special skills. Would be a vetting process and board approval. We will talk about this more fully at the next meeting.

In the process of finalizing a response to the District Charter Office Inquiry

LAUSD has a Charter Renewal Orientation on May 15th

2019-2020 LAUSD Workshop

Have to approach the charter renewal with all hands on deck given the current climate at the District

CCSA wants us to organize together. An earlier submission with a block of other charters is the best way to approach this. Easier to go in as group to avoid too much focus on one charter.

Target would be to have it finalized for the LAUSD September Board Agenda.

47 Independent LAUSD charters are up for renewals

Different dynamics on the LAUSD Board and a new governor

The template should be similar to current template



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Take control of your narrative

Need to keep in mind the appellate timeline on the remote chance that something doesn't go our way

Some bills have made it out of the Legislative Education Committee: whether there will be a cap, appellate rights might be taken away

Board member concerns will be subgroup scores, English learners, comparison with Resident schools

Have to make sure that our house is in order

In the last inquiry, LAUSD compared us to smaller schools with much different populations

In the response, we used schools that are a better comparison because they are more similar to ours

We need a communications strategy person: for your 3 minutes with the Board, you need to be able to get your message across during the public comment

Choose parents and teachers that are diverse, in the sense that they represent different stakeholders at the school

CCSA wants to get there early to camp out and get a premium place in line

Data people from CCSA gave advice on how to present the data in the best light

CCSA offered to come help us with our narrative

Don't leave things uncovered.

College and Career Readiness Calculation

This is one of your dashboard items

How many CTE pathways and the completion rate

State scores in 11th grade in English and Math

AP Exams: the number taken or the results, we are n

Dual enrollment

A-G completion percentage

State Seal Biliteracy

Military Science

We don't have ROTC, but there are some students who are interested in this.

The dashboard is on the website (it's on California Department of Education website)

Educational Program

What should we highlight?

Some ideas:

PLCs wrote statements



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Equity Plan needs to be in it, especially because our WASC emphasized it; this was something that we were not required to do, we chose to do it

Diverse learners and diverse learning styles; differentiated instruction

English Department had breakout sessions about this

Ability to move from honors to non-honors and vice versa, even mid-year; we can add the data on this and also how it affected grade distribution

Utilizing our own experts and working collaboratively

Multi-lingual program; EL and reclassified EL

Collaborative math classes with special education and regular education and that this will be expanded into history

Technology Education

Graduation requirements

Science and STEM

Mathematical mindset and growth mindset

CTE

VAPAs commitment

Alternative Programs – Pali Academy, Virtual Academy, POP (Pali online), AP and Honors

Pilots – PODS, Sociology

Socio-Emotional: restorative justice, therapeutic classroom, MH professionals on campus, Link crew

Safety curriculum: HERO

Community days

Diversity: African American Lit, African American History, Chicano Lit are some examples

Emphasis on social justice

Health and wellness: meditation, mindfulness, yoga, MH team, Chartwell, 2 school nurses

Mobile Medical Health Clinic

Looking to restructure the support systems and bell schedule to provide greater access and support

Discussion about transportation but the agreement is that this is not the place to include it. Monica will work on a draft and present it.

Next charter meeting May 17th.

Meeting adjourned.