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Board of Trustees Meeting Operations Report June 5, 2018

Security/Safety:

- PCHS through its budgeting process has currently allocated \$0 (Zero) dollars of funding for 2018-19 toward the Operations Department's #1 Top Priority request for CapEx spending related to student safety measures. Rationale was stated as fundraising should pay for that. Fundraising has only raised \$58,000 of the \$350,000+ desired. The Director of Operations disagrees with the Zero (\$0) of funding and is recommending PCHS to provide significant one-time funding in 2018-19 for most if not all of the following items:
 - **Fix/Improve General Public Address System (\$10,000):** Not clear enough in a number of classrooms, offices and common spaces, and needs some central system maintenance as well. The PA system is the schools primary Main Office communications tool to the entire Faculty/Staff & Student Body in emergency situations and should be easily and clearly heard.
 - **Emergency Exit Push-Bar Gates (\$23,000):** Additional emergency exit gates recommended in 3 locations 1) Pali Academy ~\$6,500, 2) W-Bldgs ~\$10,000, 3) El Medio Drive Gate ~\$6,500). The Director of Operations feels that at least 1 additional push-bar gate (Pali Academy) should be funded at a minimum, but ideally recommends funding for all 3.
 - **Fencing (\$225,000+\$12,000=\$237,000):** Fencing in the 3 locations previously discussed should be fully funded, with the Director of Operations recommendation for prioritization as:
 - 1) Parking Lot Fencing (~\$150,000)
 - 2) PE Fencing (~\$50,000)
 - 3) Mercer/Music Building Fencing (~\$25,000)This fencing pricing would include emergency exit push-bar gates where appropriate, but should also include an additional \$12,000 in sidewalk creation and curb-cuts to make the parking lot fencing push-bar gate by the main exit gate be more effective.
 - **Fence Breach Detection/Alerting System (\$50,000):** While ideal to install after the additional fencing is installed, this system would be useful even without some or all of the additional fencing.
 - **Additional Security Cameras (\$45,000):** Add more security cameras, and the infrastructure to make them work, to monitor the new push-bar gates and other perimeter and campus blind spots.
- PCHS's fundraising campaign for Safety/Security – Detailed status to be provided by Mike Rawson. Bottom Line – \$58,000 raised and still much more funding needed.
- PCHS has installed (or will soon) temporary fencing in all 3 areas that have been identified as the higher need/risk areas. The fencing is in the locations and rough configuration as to how long-term fencing would be placed when the ~\$225,000 of funding is available.



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Security/Safety (Continued):

- Perimeter fencing intrusion detection system (climbing-cutting) highly desired. Cost estimated at ~\$50,000, but still needs funding. Having an extra 1-3 minutes notice before an Active Intruder gets to the more populated parts of campus can make a big difference to maximize the lockdown and safety of more people.
- An additional Emergency Evacuation/Exit Push-Bar Gate has been installed to add to the 3 others previously installed. All are operational. Funding still needed for 3 more of these gates at ~\$7k-\$10k per gate.
- Additional Security Cameras, and the infrastructure to support them, needed to increase surveillance of additional emergency exit push-bar gates and campus perimeter. Cost TBD, depends on number of push-bar gates added, degree of fencing added, amount of camera coverage wanted, etc.
- PCHS has maintained the increased School Day campus security since the Parkland, FL incident, and will do so through the end of the 2017-18 school year, but additional guard coverage and proactive monitoring of security cameras needed, but needs funding, for 2018-19.
- The National Education on Safety & Security Institute (NESSI) personnel we're working with from the Dept. of Homeland Security (DHS) and FBI were on-site in April to do their assessment. Assessment final report expected soon.
- The NESSI DHS representative rank ordered a number of capital expense items that had been previously identified and discussed with them and is included in Exhibit A.
- Additional safety/security measures to increase campus safety have been compiled by PCHS and are being evaluated as part of the NESSI Assessment.
- Campus-Wide Emergency Supplies were reviewed and refreshed (as well as Classroom supplies re-surveyed/re-refreshed) for lockdown scenarios to ensure Faculty/Staff & Students have what they need.
- PCHS investigating Social Media Monitoring services such as the Social Sentinel (www.SocialSentinel.com) and as an additional early detection/warning of potential threats. Costs quoted/estimated at \$1,500/mo.
- Intrusion Detection System (IDS) proposals received and under evaluation (~\$45,000). Project put on-hold while more School Day specific safety measures are being evaluated, but still need funding
- Contracting with a locally patrolling security company for on-call emergency support when needed to quickly get additional trained guards on campus in the event of a true crisis. Besides our one (1) on-site LAUSD-PD Officer, even in a 911 situation, additional LAUSD-PD and LAPD are often 30-60minutes away and we need much faster response time in such events. Costs estimated at \$1,000-\$1,500/month, but funding still needed.



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Permits & Setups:

- Permit Revenue for May 2018 will be available at the June 19th Board Meeting
- Spring Sports Permits in full swing
- Summer camps/permits being setup
- Significant Setups activity daily in May with State & AP Testing plus Permits at Night.
- Senior Carnival ongoing right now
- Graduation planning well in hand

MGAC/Pool:

- Summer hours start Mon 6/4 and run through 8/31
- PCHS, Group/Club and Public Use of MGAC/Pool Continues as Usual
- PCHS Girls & Boys Swim Team Record Board Installed
- Waiting on Funding Plan for Possible Improvements of:
 - Shade for Bleachers on Temescal Side of Pool
 - Outdoor Showers Added under Scoreboard
- Frequency of miscellaneous repairs at Pool starting to climb as Pool Equipment ages
- PCHS should continue accruing/saving for major repairs in the 3-5 year timeframe as major pool components start to reach their useful life of 8-10 years.
 1. Replace Lochinvar High Efficiency Heaters (2) that serve all pools (~\$40-\$50k)
 2. Re-Plaster All Pools (~\$160-\$200k)
 3. Replacement Competition Pool Pump (~\$25-\$35k)

Transportation:

- ATS RegularEd & Trips busing contract submitted for Board approval. Contract yields a \$2,150 annual cost per student riding the bus (\$215/mo. For those paying monthly).
- Student Transportation of America (STA) / Mission bus company continues providing Special Ed busing. Their contract for 2018-19 approved at the May 2018 board meeting.
- 2018-19 school year PCHS School Bus Registration is opened as planned on Thu 5/17 and will run through Fri 7/20 (~8 weeks). Anyone registering for the PCHS SCHOOL Bus Program after the registration deadline will be on a wait list and room availability basis only and are not guaranteed a seat on any bus. All transportation scholarship requests must be received before the PCHS Bus Program Registration Deadline! Transportation scholarship requests received after the Registration Deadline will only be considered under extreme and unique circumstances to be determined solely by Dr. Magee and/or the Board.
- The 3rd-Party Contractor for PCHS School Bus scholarship determination has been engaged and is accepting PCHS Transportation Scholarship Applications. Eighty-Eight (88) scholarship applications have been filed as of Fri 6/1 (after 2 weeks). Several hundred applications are expected. Transportation Scholarships will not be awarded before 8/1/2018.
- PCHS & Durham agreed to a separation in services effective with the 4/3/2018 return from Spring Break. Final signed separation agreement awaiting signature from Durham.



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Facilities/Projects:

- Main Quad spring break heating system leak repair 100% completed.
- Another new heating system leak occurred near C-Bldg. 1st Floor Girls restroom in early May. Heating system current not operational. Leak to be repaired the week of 6/11 as soon as spring semester and graduation are over. There will be no heat available on campus other than the 3 spaces that have independent systems – Gilbert Hall, U-Buildings and W-Buildings.
- Additional thermostats replaced in A206, A210, D208, E102, F205, G107
- Data Center/Room A/C replacement being held up by LAUSD requiring additional investigation into infrastructure compatibility. Temporary A/C Units still operating until replacement project completed.
- Most of the missing classroom window guards/grates installed to further secure classrooms
- Visitor Bleachers in Stadium having older/rotting benches and floorboards replace in anticipation of a full house for Graduation 2018
- J-Bldg. Electrical Upgrades Completed, J100 & J123 STEAM classrooms upgraded as requested, IT Data Center generator/inverter now can be installed – need funding
- Some of the exterior rotted wood has been replaced on the U116/U115/U112/U111 bungalows with more to come during summer
- Phase 2 of the LED Lighting project underway. Many replaced over Spring break, and remaining rooms being worked on in April thru June. Phase 3 (final phase) expected to be done over Summer 2018.
- EV Charging stalls lines repainted and sign adjusted. New “EV CHARGING” stencil ordered to properly reflect purpose of those spots (for active charging only)
- Cafeteria grease trap serviced as part of every 3-month preventative maintenance
- Cafeteria dishwashing sink had critical repair made. All old plumbing pipes fully replaced.
- Created/Cleared an emergency evacuation path from behind both buildings at Pali Academy for escaping purposes to push bar gate that sits atop of their staircase
- Landscaping set to do our perimeter campus fire regulation clean up as Summer heat fast approaches
- Stadium LED Lighting Replacement Project completed over Spring Break
- LED light fixtures installed on staircase by W-Bldg for added lighting and security.
- 2 New LED light fixtures installed in Upper Level student parking for added lighting and security.
- District has completed their survey of our underground utilities as beginning phase for possible repair of underground piping
- Front of A-Building Landscaping project put on hold for budgetary reasons
- Stadium Landscaping project put on hold for budgetary reasons



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Facilities/Projects (Continued):

- **Security Fencing** – Project Plan submitted to LAUSD. Awaiting review and approval. Funding still needed. Temporary fencing installed in the interim to increase safety and security until a long-term fence can be funded and installed.
- **Garden Gateway Phase 3** – Final project approval has been obtained from LAUSD. Project proceeding to the bidding phase. Anticipating start of construction this summer, and completion of project expected in Sep 2018.
- **Modular/Trailer Relocation Project** – LAUSD is requiring/forcing PCHS to move the Modulares/trailers behind the J-Building to a new location to get them farther away from J-Bldg, widen the Fire Lane, make them ADA compliant, etc. All issues held over from their installation in 2015. Plan to mitigate these issues has been reviewed with LAUSD and expected to be implemented this summer via the Classroom & Spaces Splits/Conversions Project.
- **Gym A/C Project (LAUSD Funded)** – Project has been DSA Approved. LAUSD currently preparing bid packages for General Contractor bidding/selection. Latest estimated start date pushed back to 10/1/2018 (and completion by Jan 2020 - 15 months), but further start date delays are possible.
- **Heating System Infrastructure Replacement Project (LAUSD Funded)** – Project design phase still underway. Estimated start date Summer/Fall 2019 and completion Winter/Spring 2020 (anticipated as a 10 month project). Many milestones still to be cleared before confidence in project being started at all becomes high.



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Exhibit A

Desired Safety & Security Capital Expenditures Priority Ranked by Brian Keith of the Dept. of Homeland Security

1. PE Tunnel Fencing
2. Parking Lot Fencing
3. Mercer/Music Fencing
4. Fence Breach Detection/Alerting System around entire perimeter fencing
5. Intrusion Detection System (IDS) for tight perimeter around buildings for when Security Guards are not on campus overnight
6. Pali Academy Location Push-Bar Gate by Drive Gate
7. Extra Security Cameras on each New Push-Bar Gate
8. Extra Security Cameras for Perimeter Fencing Areas
9. Extra Security Cameras on Remaining Trouble Spots as identified by Campus Security & Deans
10. Fix Campus Wide PA System Issues - Some Classrooms need new speakers, some areas need speakers, some need fixing for clarity, etc.
11. W-Building to Sunset Push-Bar Gate - Out by Left Field in the Baseball Outfield
12. El Medio Drive Gate Push-Bar Gate by the Drive Gate
13. A-Building 1st Floor Office Escapes - Window Gates/Grates to open from the Inside Out (offices only have one exit via the door)
14. Bollards by Gilbert Hall Quad where students congregate at Nutrition, Lunch and 7th Period