### Academic Accountability

The Academic Accountability Committee shall be an SBLC. It will focus on student achievement and will examine quantitative and qualitative academic data in order to ensure that PCHS is complying with state and charter accountability measures and fulfilling PCHS's mission, as well as any other issues referred to it by the Board of Trustees. It will provide a detailed, written report to the Board at least once a semester regarding its findings, and its Chairperson shall be present at the Board meeting to explain the report and answer any questions that the Board might have. This report may also include recommendations for Board-level policies, priorities, and goals to be considered by the Board of Trustees.

#### **Elections**

The Elections Committee shall be made up of one classified representative, two faculty representatives, and no fewer than three Board members (at least one of whom shall be a parent representative and two of whom shall be non-interested), none of whom are running for election to the Board of Trustees in the next coming election. (A "noninterested" Board member, for purposes of this Element, is a Board member who receives no compensation of any kind from PCHS, whether in the form of salary, wage, or stipend.) The Elections Committee is responsible for drafting specific voting guidelines, which must be approved by the Board of Trustees before becoming effective, for facilitating Board of Trustee elections, enhancing voter turnout, counting the votes, and presenting the certified results to the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees shall accept the Elections Committee's certified results absent objective evidence that the election procedures were not followed or that some other impropriety existed calling the election into question. In the event that the Board, in its discretion, believes that there has been an impropriety, it will determine the outcome of the election in consultation with legal counsel if necessary. In making its determination, the Board will be guided by the need to ensure that the election is fair and that the objective manifestation of the will of the electorate is paramount. In making its determination, the Board may appoint an ad hoc committee of Board members, an ad hoc committee of persons that might include non-Board members, or such other process or procedure as is lawful and fair. No Board member running for a seat on the Board shall participate in the decision-making process to the extent it involves the seat for which he or she is running.

# Charter

The Charter Committee shall consider and recommend to the Board of Trustees changes to PCHS's Charter. The Charter Committee shall include at least one parent Board member and a total of at least three parent members. Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, the faculty shall have the right, but not the obligation (The "right, but not the obligation" means that the faculty can seat a majority, but if it does not wish to do so, it does not have to do so), to constitute a majority of the Charter Committee. No recommendation shall be made unless it is supported by a majority of faculty members to the committee, a majority of parent members to the committee, and a majority of the committee overall. For example, if there are 9 faculty members, 5 parent members, an administrator, a classified member, and a student (17 members in all), a proposal would need at least 5 faculty members, 3 parents, and 9 total votes to pass. Any

Board of Trustees as set forth therein. Board Policies may be modified or repealed by the Board of Trustees.

Should there be a vacancy on the Board of Trustees, the vacancy shall be filled in accordance with the Bylaws. However, nothing in the Bylaws shall in any way conflict with the concept that the stakeholder group or groups that elected the member whose vacancy is being filled shall be empowered to fill the vacancy, although the vacancy need not be filled by holding a new election of all stakeholders in the affected group.

The District reserves the right to appoint a single representative to the Board of Trustees governing board pursuant to Ed. Code section 47604(b).

### **Board Qualifications and Development**

Board development shall include the following: orientation and training of new Board members in the PCHS Charter, the Board's Bylaws, the Board's Governance Policies and the Carver/Carpenter Governance Philosophy. The Board shall continue to discuss process policy improvements. Qualifications for Board members that should be considered include special skills that the community member may possess that would assist the Board of Trustees, as well as ties to PCHS.

# **GOVERNANCE PROCEDURES and OPERATIONS**

The Board of Trustees is governed by, and adheres to, the Brown Act. Generally, the Board holds regular meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. at PCHS, as per a schedule approved by the Board. In addition, the Board may hold special or emergency meetings as needed, provided that such meetings are consistent with the Brown Act. The public is invited to—and is welcome to attend—all Board meetings, and members of the public are invited to speak as provided in the Brown Act.

The Board's decision-making procedures are specified in its Bylaws and comply in all respects with the Brown Act. The current Bylaws state that a quorum consists of six voting members of the Board, and further specifies the minimum number of affirmative votes to pass a Board resolution. Board members may participate in meetings via teleconference as provided in the Bylaws and in a manner consistent with the Brown Act. Board members may abstain in their discretion. Board members must abstain from all aspects of discussion, deliberation, and action if they have a conflict of interest with regard to any matter under discussion.

Board committees typically meet on a monthly basis or as needed, and to the extent they are subject to the Brown Act, comply therewith in all respects, including notice. Long-Term Strategic Planning Committees typically meet monthly on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. at PCHS during the school year, but the LTSPC's may also meet more or less often as needed. The public is invited to those meetings, and is generally allowed to participate fully in each meeting.