



PALISADES

CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL

Palisades Charter High School Minutes of the Charter Committee Meeting November 30, 2019 Dolphin Tank

Attendees:

Dara Williams – Committee Chair
Pam Magee
Tami Christopher
Susan Ackerman
Amy Nguyen
Daphne Gronich
Karen Perkins

The committee discussed the provisions of the Charter that will primarily need to be addressed

Element 4

The possibility of appointing some of the board member positions was raised. We can look at Granada Hills and Birmingham as they have some appointed positions and the process for appointing the members is written out. Dara will look into this. We can also consult with Lisa Corr about other schools that have some appointed positions. There would be a vote by the Board before changing the charter.

Element 7 involves means to achieve diversity and element 8 deals with admissions. These are inter-related because Pali's admissions practices affect diversity. Tami Christopher had the idea that changing our admissions priorities to include other schools, rather than just Paul Revere, could help with diversity. She mentioned Palms specifically. Other possibilities are Emerson and Webster. Paul Revere used to provide more diversity. Not sure how many of the magnet kids from Paul Revere end up attending Pali.

We would want a lag time for decreasing the number of Paul Revere student admissions
Funding to support diversity was discussed
Crawford order is in our Charter
Is outreach enough

For some of the students who live far away, they would be able to attend University High School, which does have a magnet so buses are provided. So they would have an alternative if Pali decides to admit more students from the local schools
This saves money in transportation costs while maintaining diversity



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Discussion about money from the state for busing tied to Crawford
TIG Funding for API kids.
LAUSD stopped this funding

Elements 2 and 3 of the Charter will have to incorporate new state metrics so Monica lanessa will look at those

Element 11

Issues of expulsion, which may include our new restorative justice program

Element 12

Temescal/Pali and Virtual Academy and credit recovery

Granada's Charter was found on the internet

They have a "Plan B" in their charter in the event there are issues with faculty and staff sitting on the Charter based upon changes or interpretations of the law

They have some other elements we can look at:

Must complete in service training

No term limits

Teachers, classified, and administrators

Retired sits on the board and is appointed by a community

Community members

Parent/Guardian members

El Camino has community reps appointed

Appointing representatives makes the board less insular and we can look at having board members who may be able to help with funding, technology, legal issues, and financial issues.

We may also reconsider not allowing 9th grade parents to sit on the board

Pali's Charter expires June 30, 2020

At the faculty meeting on January 7, 2019, some of these issues will be rolled out. The possibility of appointed board members will be discussed. One advantage is that with appointed board members, faculty would be able to vote to seat them if a committee recommends the appointment. So in a way faculty would get a voice in seating some of the members and they don't vote on all the members now. The idea of opening up Pali to other schools by giving them a preference and lowering the number of Paul Revere spots will also be discussed

Tentative Meeting Scheduled for January 11, 2019 at 2:15 pm