

# LA ACADEMIA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MONTHLY MEETING

### JULY 20, 2022

#### **OUR MISSION**

A dynamic learning community sustained by partnerships, La Academia transforms today's learners into tomorrow's leaders through innovative instruction, comprehensive student supports, cultural competency, and work-based learning.

#### **OUR VISION**

Our students will be critical thinkers and global citizens, recognized by their commitment to lifelong learning and meaningful contributions to the world.

Voting Members Present: Colleen Wagner (officer), Chris Boyd (officer), Ted Darcus (officer), Jessica Gehman, Leonel Silva

**Voting Members Not Present:** Gloria Nyutu-Blackman, Carlos Graupera, Victor Ramos, James Rovito, Guy Kingree

Administration and Non-Voting Members Present: Amy Ferg, Jasson Read, Steve Rally,

Guests: Brig Wilson, Leigh Ann Kelly

Minutes Recorder: Steve Rally

### **AGENDA:**

**I. Call to Order / Roll Call:** Called to order at 4:05pm by C. Wagner with the note that quorum was not met.

II. Approval of June Minutes Not completed as quorum was not met.

#### **III. Reports and Action Items**

**A. School Management** (Mrs. Amy Ferg, Principal/CEO & Mr. Jasson Read, Director of School Finance & Operations)

#### Scholar Enrollment for 2022-2023: 200

#### Vacancies:

- Special Education Teacher
- 2 Paraprofessional
- Part-Time Health Teacher



Comments: C. Wagner suggested looking to the Clinic for the part-time health teacher. Non-certified. Health Background.

J. Gehman asked if the jump in enrollment was due to online and A. Ferg confirmed. J. Read explained I. Cortez went to some family homes for application completion.

## **Upcoming Dates**

- July 21st- Leadership Retreat
- August 2, 2022 New Staff Orientation
- August 15, 2022 First Staff Day
- August 22, 2022 First Scholar Day
- Wednesday, August 24, 4pm Board Meeting

**B. Finance Committee** (Ted Darcus, Treasurer)

Finance Report (see report in Board folder)

Action Items: Math 180 2-Year Agreement

Math 180

- Math Benchmark/Diagnostic Testing grades 5-12
- Individualized Intervention support
- Build scholars' confidence with mathematics and accelerating their progress to algebra
- Average annual growth of 1.5 years
- Every Block contains a career-based, problem-solving mathematics simulation which allows students to apply the concepts they are learning

Comments: L. Silva asked about attendance trends in the first week of school. A. Ferg explains the trends. C. Wagner suggested a trend chart for attendance and T. Darcus added it would keep track of students going through the system. Comments: C. Wagner asked about the food company and J. Read explained that things were working out well and everything was set up for the school year. Comments: A. Ferg explained the supports for our scholars that Math 180 can provide for individualized support and then shared research. Further exp;ained that Math 180 is aligned with PBL and PrBL. Voting virtually.

\*\*Virtual vote completed with approval of Math 180.

**C. Governance Committee** (Colleen Wagner, President) Process of reviewing applications for the CEO position.

### **IV. Executive Session (None)**



**V. New Business** C. Wagner received an invitation to Lancaster STEM Alliance summit for networking, etc. in Elizabethtown College.

J. Read has a plan for our open house and is working with the community to ask them to come in and set up in the gym. Looking for sponsors for the gym and asked the Board for some of these contacts. LAPCS could become a community meeting place. C. Wagner explained that he can look to the Board for support.

VI. Public Comments (none)

VII. Adjournment 4:35 C. Wagner

Next Meeting: August 24, 2022