

PPEP TEC High School
Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2020
10:30 am
PPEP TEC Meeting Minutes

Present: Gertha Brown-Hurd - President, Celestino Fernandez, Maria Chavez, Yvonne Perez, Hector Sanchez - Secretary

Welcome by Dr. John David Arnold, CEO/Founder.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Gertha Brown-Hurd, President at 10:42 am.
Roll call was conducted and a quorum was established.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING ON OCTOBER 7, 2020.

Minutes for approval were not sent out to Board members and Wayne Tucker asked that the approval of the October 7, 2020 minutes be approved at the next PPEP TEC Board Meeting.

Gertha Brown-Hurd requested a motion to accept that the October 7, 2020 minutes be approved at the next board meeting. Motion made by Hector Sanchez to accept that the minutes be approved at the next meeting. Seconded by Celestino Fernandez. Motion carried and all board members present voting affirmative.

II. REMOVAL OF RALPH ROMERO AS PPEP TEC HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER.

Wayne Tucker presented the removal of Board Member Ralph Romero, Member At Large.

Gertha Brown-Hurd requested a motion for the removal of Board Member Ralph Romero. Motion made by Maria Chavez for the removal of Ralph Romero from the Board of Directors of the PPEP TEC High School Governing Board. Seconded by Celestino Fernandez. Motion carried and all board members present voting affirmative.

III. ADDITION OF ARNOLD PALACIOS TO THE PPEP TEC HIGH SCHOOL GOVERNING BOARD AS A MEMBER AT LARGE.

Gertha Brown-Hurd requested a motion to accept Arnold Palacios to the PPEP TEC High School Governing Board as a Member at Large. Motion made by Celestino Fernandez to accept Arnold Palacios into the PPEP TEC High School Governing Board as a Member at Large. Seconded by Hector Sanchez. Motion carried and all board members present voting affirmative.

IV. SCHOOL UPDATES

Wayne Tucker spoke of the last meeting in which the Board asked to be informed of the impact of Covid-19 at the schools. He stated that it has been quiet in the past until recently. The schools have had no incidents of transmission within the schools. The schools have a mask and follow the policies in place. They do enforce social distancing, and hand washing. It has been working out well. Sierra Vista continues to be a Hybrid school. Schools that are 100% virtual still have kids coming into class as this is part of the Governor's Orders and schools will need to be available. Parents want their kids to come to school. It is mainly a tutorial setting. Douglas - Raul Castro Learning Center has the most Covid cases. Two active student cases. Two who have been identified as contacts. Two kids in isolation and two kids in quarantine. One staff person case, who will be ready to come back to work soon. Other cases: Parents, siblings, people who may be related to staff or students, but are not in the schools. Total of 13 potential cases and three that have recovered. No deaths in the community. No cases in Colin Powell Learning Center in Sierra Vista. In Tucson, there are two student cases and one staff case who is currently out. Alice Powell Learning Center has no one active with Covid currently. There was one staff who had Covid and has since recovered. Jose Yopez Learning Center has one student case currently and four recovered in the community. One death – Special Ed teacher's brother. Cesar Chavez Learning Center had two staff that were exposed to covid-19 and to date have not tested positive. The migrant program has two siblings or family members who have two active cases and two recovered cases. All this is from community transmission and they have seen a bump since Thanksgiving. They will be staying with the current plan in place for the schools. Wayne will send out the report to the Board members. He has asked for the Lead Teachers to provide him with information every Friday.

Maria Chavez – What are the attendance numbers?

Wayne Tucker – Actual enrollment is about 712. Attendance is complicated and is now falling to the mentors who contact student's every day. He will try to get a number and let everyone know.

Celestino Fernandez – Tremendous challenge for kids who are learning online. Parents are also struggling too.

Dr. Arnold – Major construction going on at PPEP sites. Solar parking sheds are going up at 802 E 46th St. and other sites. The aircraft training class with Bombardier is moving to 720 E 46th St. Upgraded the Zoom capabilities in the Hall of Fame – a new camera. Opened a new office on Ajo way for the utilities and rental assistance program.

V. Call to the Public

VI. Adjournment

Gertha Brown-Hurd requested a motion to adjourn. Hector Sanchez made the motion to adjourn at 11:12 am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Rosemary Montaña, Human Resources.