



LANGUAGE ACADEMY OF SACRAMENTO

A Two-Way Spanish Immersion Public Charter School

2850 49th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817



Regular Board Meeting - Minutes

Friday, November 18, 2011

5:00 p.m. in B7

I. Preliminary

I.A	Meeting was called to order by Teejay Bersola at 5:11 p.m.			
I.B	Name	Role	Present	Absent
	Daniel León	Parent/Padre (09-12)		X
	Rene Nava	Parent/Padre (11-14)	X	
	Diana Sarabía	Parent/Madre (10-13) Secretary	X	
	Cynthia Suárez	Teacher/Maestra (09-12) Vice President	X	
	Amanda Cervantes	Staff/Personal (11-14) Chief Financial Officer	X	
	Teejay Bersola	Teacher/Maestra (10-13) Co-President	X	
	Vacant	Community Member/Miembro Comunitario (09-12)		
	Adolfo Mercado	Community Member/Miembro Comunitario (11-14)	X	
	Susan Sue Baker	Community Member/Miembro Comunitario (10-13)	X	
	Kylah Williams	Student Council Representative		X
	Chiem-Seng Yaangh	SCUSD Representative/Representante de la Mesa Directiva	X	
Eduardo de León	Academic Director/Director Académico	X		
Judy Morales	Business Manger	X		

Agenda		Action/Information
I.C	Approval of Agenda	Change Board Development agenda item to reflect Bersola not Baker as presenter First: Chiem-Seng Yaangh Second: Cervantes Motion passes
	Approval of Minutes with corrections	<u>Corrections</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correct attendees of the board meeting on the Spanish minutes • Change “refer” to “defer the vote” in the sentence, “Mercado made a friendly amendment...” • Section3.G = add “broaden the scope to working conditions” to write-up. First: Adolfo Mercado Second: Rene Nava Motion passes
I.E	Mission	

II. Communications/Comunicaciones

II.A	Norms and Protocols	
II.A.1	Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diana Sarabia wanted to recognize the 2nd and 4th grade classes that won the funds. The 2nd grade class sang and the 4th grade sent thank you cards to the Parent Association. • LAS’ English as a Second Language (ESL) class is completed and Professor Irene Bersola is looking to continue on with more sessions in the future. • Thank you to Middle School and Ms. Romo for spearheading the fundraiser that raised \$2,600 towards the school garden. • Ms. Alvarez and Ms. Morales assisted students to the Town Hall Meeting with Mayor Kevin Johnson. • CSUS Professor Emeritus Harold Murai visited the Language Academy. • Thank you to Ms. Sarah for the Robert’s Rules Procedures board meeting posters.
II.A.2	Student Council- Alvarez	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haunted house event raised over \$300

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mixed bags fundraiser raised \$2,600 towards the school garden. • Student Council keeps working on GABY grant for the Health Fair and for the garden. • Working on posters to keep campus clean.
III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION/DISCUSSION		
III.A	October Check Register- Morales	Baker made a motion to approve the October Check Register. Suárez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
	Public Comments	None
III.B	Sacramento High Performing Schools Compact – de León	<p>Chiem Sang Yaangh, SCUSD representative, provided information of the compact. He informed that the compact is not a legally binding document. The document is a set of agreements that “we” are going to work together. This compact is to bring all of the charters together. The next step is to establish an oversight committee. At that point, the parents and staff can participate and decide about the revenue sharing. De León further discussed the severability of the compact.</p> <p><u>Questions/Suggestions:</u></p> <p>Bersola requested that the compact be reviewed in a yearly basis. When reps are sent to conference, it would be great if other administrators from smaller charter schools are invited or given the option to attend. Mercado asked who the other Independent Charters that are involved are. Mercado made a motion that the board supports the Sacramento High School Compact. Cervantes seconded the motion and the motion passed.</p>
	Public Comments	None
III.C	CARPA – Baker	Chiem-Seng Yaangh recommends focusing on the “yellow” but also giving time line on the “red” parts and to follow the recommendation of the school leaders. Baker made a motion to accept the recommendation of the committee and for the committee to create a timeline for the red items and share in the December board meeting. Bersola seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
	Public Comments	None
III.D	Board Development – Baker	Bersola asked if the members who attended the Charter School Development Center training can provide bullet points presentation of the training highlights for next month’s meeting. . She is also looking into getting another Robert’s Rules training set up for LAS. Nava requested that a second Board Member join the Facility meeting if board member León will not be returning soon. Baker requested to please look at the Director Evaluation adhoc committee and have another board member included in this committee. Nava volunteered to be part of the Director’s Evaluation Meeting. Bersola made a motion to have board member Nava join the Director’s Evaluation Adhoc Committee. Baker seconded the motion and the motion passed. Cervantes mentioned that she would be participating on the facilities committee.
	Public Comments	None
IV. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS		
IV.A	Parent Association & Council – Castañeda	
	Public Comments	None
IV.B	After School Programs – Castañeda	
	Public Comments	None
III.C	Programmatic Audit - Bersola	Cervantes recommended that the Board go through the Programmatic Audit. Bersola highlighted the survey results pages for the Transition Ad-hoc committee review.
	Public Comments	None
III.D	COMMITTEE REPORTS	
III.D.1	English Learner Advisory Council (ELAC) – de León	None

	Public Comments	None
III.D.2	Facilities Committee – Morales	
	Public Comments	None
III.D.3	Director’s Evaluation Committee - Baker	
	Public Comments	None
III.D.4	Finance Committee – Cervantes	
	Public Comments	None
III.D.5	Bylaws Committee – Bersola	
	Public Comments	None
III.D.6	Transition Plan Committee – Sarabia/Baker	
	Public Comments	None
V. Future Meetings		
a. December 16, 2011		
VI. Future Agenda Items		
a. Academic Progress Reporting, Part 2		
VII. Adjournment		
The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.		
Motion: Amanda Cervantes		
Second: Rene Nava		
Vote: Pass		