

# La Academia Dolores Huerta

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## **Regular Governing Council Meeting March 1st ,2012**

### 1) Introduction

a) Call to order Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

b) Roll Call Mrs. Simental , Mrs. Olivas , Mrs. Kiernan, Mr. Del Plain and Mrs. Vallejos all present.

c) Approval of proposed agenda with addition of social media to be written in 5) b) social media Mrs. Vallejos motions to approve Mrs. Olivas 2nds motion carried.

2) Motion to approve minutes from Feb 9<sup>th</sup> regular meeting Mrs. Kiernan motions to approve motion Mrs. Olivas 2nds motion carried.

3) Public Input\* NONE

4) Principals Report .. Lottery was done today March 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 45 students accepted 13 are on waiting list . March 2<sup>nd</sup> talent show at 1pm.

a) Financial Report Mrs. Gina .. States \$38,000 title 1 moneys and 14,058 Idea B moneys has arrived .Still waiting on 14,224 title 1 .

1) Vote upon financial bar for SB9 matching in the amount of \$6.124 Mrs. Olivas motioned , Mrs. Kiernan 2<sup>nd</sup> motion carried.

### 5) Discussion of Committees

A) Mrs. Vallejos has a 4 tier plan for fund raising . Dominoes, Papa Johns , Albertsons, Prices Diary, Campbell Soup, KVIA 7, Target, \$20.00 profit from each (maybe). Avon, Tupperware, Candle sales, Candy sales, Book fairs, Home Interior, Mary Kay, Avon & Dance? 3<sup>Rd</sup> tier Poster sponsor sales, Gift certificate raffles, Homecoming Dance, Card sponsor. 4<sup>th</sup> tier Enchilada dinner, Car wash, Fundraising dimme, Rummage sale. Finally Mrs. Vallejos would like to organize a “FIESTA”. Mrs. Vallejos would like 2 committees one for school another for out of school. School committee will organize committees and dates outside committee will make calls (maybe Mrs. Kiernan) and would like to connect with Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

### 1) Facilities Committee

Meetings were held weekly in Feb with LCPS and PSFA. Mrs. Diaz has been in contact with owner of Dennison building since Jan . Owner believes building appraisal is waste of money he stated “ if your intent is to stay in Dennison Building spend the appraisal money repairing the building. Owner is willing to finance whole amount of loan he also compared LADH to YAMAHA building, but did not know the actual amount the YAMAHA building sold for . 1989 previous owner took care of asbestos “Richard Strange (Dick Strange)“ was believed to have done work for building. Need to research. Gina states there is a report of asbestos being present in top part of building report was presented to GC in 2004? Or 2005? It is

believed that this report in is Mr. G's office will look up . Owner believes building is constructed of steel and believes all work needed is aesthetic not structural. PSFA funds only cover 65% of work needed other 35% needs to be covered by LADH the Facilities Committee is basically "stuck" because there has been no money raised by the finance committee . A request has been made for finance committee to negotiate lease with Arnold Duke and bypass Hector Diaz. JP Taylor had been looking for building for 3 yrs before the school actually opened LADH is not the only charter school in this position. Lease was sent to Susan Fox for review

Facility Committee Plan & Progress 2012

Jan

E-mailed Kary B. @ Steinborn to follow up on sites. He hasn't found anything or a location under million and hasn't forgotten about us.

Have we considered the church on Pecos ST?

Finding the right combo is challenging based on our criteria

LADH needs funds.

Waiting to hear from Educational Foundation to see if they even received our packet.

Cant do much until we rule them out & need funds!

Feb

Mrs. Diaz made contact with bldg. owner & bypassed Hector Diaz.

2<sup>nd</sup> meeting with Gloria & Dean w/LCPS Operations Dept. and went over \$1.9 million repair cost, acquiring contact for step by step process for district funds, and same information from Sept. 2011 meeting Mrs. Diaz received call from bldg. owner with idea.

Emailed Susan Fox to review lease and she advised us on 3 options fro the 2015 bldg requirement

14<sup>th</sup> meeting with PSFA- Brent , LADH Gov. Council & Facility committee to go over criteria to receive district funds, etc.

Mrs. Diaz called bldg. owner to go over idea.

Called (& left message) for Jose Fritze of FYI& Las Montanas Charter High School of possible sale of the LMCH bldg. & return call back.

Called Nat 1<sup>st</sup> Valley Realty to find out of possible properties/ bldg. or sites (I.e. Old Mutual Bldg & Loan / Victory bldg on Main across from Peter Piper Pizza) are available. None for the sq ft. we are looking for, price OR that is lease purchase- BECAUSE WE HAVE NO FUNDS!

24<sup>th</sup> Facility committee meeting to cover bldg owner idea, facility committee concluding

1. The renovations to the current bldg will be a LONG process,
2. Unable to do anything further without funds needing funds.
3. And next step having a new lease agreement created with bldg owner- BECAUSE WEHAVE NO FUNDS.

B) Social media.

Mrs. Diaz got inquiry about "Linked Inn" from Mr. Duke .. Can we create a Linked Inn account & an official Face book (good Idea) (need a committee for this) .

D) Educational foundation update Robert Benavidez finally responded to calls and emails legislative session has ended will get back to LADH next couple of days..(last email sent to Facility committee).

C) Lease negotiation discussion LADH is not bound to Hector Diaz will discuss lease negotiations with MR. Duke instead. Mr. Del plain has a friend who might be able to help with financial advise.

D) Finance committee meeting Wends Feb 29<sup>th</sup> reviewed bank statements and random checks Mrs. Gina does a great job. All is well with finance committee.

a) audit review done with finance committee .

E) Principal Selection. Interviews with 4 candidates to be held March 2<sup>nd</sup> at LADH. Matrix was created applications were scored 2 bottom candidates dropped committee includes Mr. Del Plain, Mrs. Gina , Mr. Salazar, Mr. Bardy, Mr. Davis , Mrs. Kiernan, and Mrs. Bonnie Salazar. Monthly gross salary \$6000 estimated.

6) Domestic Partnership policy ... Premium \$1200 monthly once policy is created it will go to Susan Fox for review (Mrs. Diaz want a time lime) before end of this school yr 2011-2012.

7) GC training and legislative update Sat Feb 25<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Vallejos was only member who had not completed training hrs therefore she was the only GC member to attend. Salaries were discussed policies and minutes were also discussed.

8) Meeting adjourned at 7:01 pm Motion to adjourn Mrs. Simental 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Vallejos. Motion carried.