



MINUTES

The Family Place Public Charter School

Date / time October 19, 2021 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | *Location* Virtual Meeting, Zoom

In Attendance

BOARD MEMBERS		
NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mavis I. Ardon	X	
Ann B. Barnet	X	
Michael D. Barnet	X	
Shawn Chakrabarti	X	
Dania Diaz Amaya		
Barbara Finkelstein		
Sarah Friedman	X	
Natalia Isaza Brando	X	
Marcia Harrington	X	
Oralia Puente	X	
Elaine Weiss	X	

Others Present: Y. Yang, L. Kircher, M. Acosta, F. Saldana and L. Bussey

Approval of Minutes

August 17, 2021 minutes seconded and roll call vote approved

Motions

Correction to minutes in reference attendance

Amendments

Votes Taken

Description of Matters Discussed

Next Meeting

December 14, 2021 (new date third Wednesday in December), via remote Motion to adjourn was made at 7:30 pm and was passed unanimously.

Meeting Agenda

A. Financial Status

Mr. Yang, EdOps provided an update on TFPPCS financial status:

- a. Audit—On September 16, 2021 provided all documents to the auditors.
- b. 147 student target met
- c. 297 Days of cash
- d. Reimbursements October 19, 2021
- e. Cash forecast \$1.57 million above approved budget
- f. State/local revenue: ? Federal: \$ 207 k

B. Questions from Board Members:

L. Garr—Are surplus payments, after dollar amount paid to charity for construction, in progress?

A. Barnet –What are we going to do with the excess cash? H. Wiggins responds—To use the dollars for expanding the space. COVID-19 revenue was high last year because of the Federal money and OSSE funding was substantial last year as well.

S. Chakrabarti—Any updates from Charles Swab on the interest we received? L. Garr responds that he will check on other investments from Charles Swab?

C. Program Update

L. Kircher provided the update noting that there are no report on outcomes yet because it is too early in the year, however 13 classes are underway (she will make slide deck available to Board members). Here are the students by instructional classes

Instructional Classes	CDA	Foundations	ESL*
In-person	27	25	61
Virtual	8 (requested/want?)		66

*ESL classes by level: Beginning: 43, Intermediate: 41, Advanced: 31, Multi-level:12

Digital literacy classes were started this week during Hispanic Heritage Month. We are using DUOLingo (Luis Von Ahn). CASAS testing will be administered in December 2021.

D. Registration

F. Saldano provided his report. TFPPCS has registered 178 students as of October 25th (there are 168 registered when you eliminate duplicates and those students without residency documentation. TFPPCS has a 86% attendance rate (what are the differences between those attending in-person and those student participating virtually?

Mr. Saldana would provide reports from last year, upon request, on CASAS testing, CDA and Foundation participation? However, weekly testing is administered every Wednesday since September 25th. 67 adult learners tested for COVID-19 and 100 percent of staff is vaccinated.

E. Facility/Renovation Update

H. Wiggins provide and update on the status of the exploration of a new facility and introduced Mr. William Zonghetti who has been providing his expertise in exploring options for a facility for expanded classroom space. Ms. Wiggins emphasized that the discussion this evening is focused on whether TFPPCS should lease or purchase a new facility and not about any facility to purchase or lease.

Board members raised a series of questions about a decision to purchase or lease one of two facilities given as examples. A Member? suggested that TFPPCS put up \$50, 000 for a feasibility study be completed in SY 2022/23. S. Chakrabarti suggested that Members who had questions, email them to him. There was also a suggestion that a subcommittee be formed (one already exists).