PARTNERSHIP SCHOOLS

School Governing Board Meeting Agenda November 19, 2024

Notice of Regular Meeting: 9:15 AM

1477 W. Commerce Ct. Tucson, AZ 85746

General Matters

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment

The Partnership Schools Governing Board welcomes public comment on issues within the jurisdiction of the schools. Comments should be limited to three minutes per individual. At the conclusion of public comment, the Board members may respond to the comments made by the public to the Committee, may ask staff to review a matter, or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda. Members of the Committee, however, may not discuss or take legal action on matters raised during public comment unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. Finally, be advised that internal high school(s) and academy processes are available to students and employees for communication.

Reports:

Superintendents Reports

Enrollment/Recruitment

Finance

Grants

Infrastructure

Action Items:

- Motion to approve Minutes from the September 24, 2024, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.

Announcements:

The next regular meeting is proposed for December, 17 2024, 9:15a.m. at COPE Community Services, Inc. 1477 W. Commerce Court, Tucson, AZ 85746.

Adjournment:

Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting Minutes
November 19, 2024, at COPE Community Services
1477 W. Commerce Ct. Tucson, AZ 85746

Members Present:

- Khalid Al-Maskari (Via Zoom)
- Joe Higgins (Via Zoom)
- Richard Paige (Via Zoom)

Members not Present:

- Daniella Hisey

Staff Present:

- Ian Kidd, Superintendent (In person)
- Rod Cook, CEO (In person)

Guests Present:

- Michelle Durazo, COPE (In person)

General Matters:

1. **Call to Order**
   Mr. Al-Maskari called the Partnership Schools Governing Board meeting to order at 9:27 a.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Public Comment**
   No public comments were made.

Reports

1. **Superintendent's Report**

   a. **Enrollment/Recruitment**
   Mr. Kidd reported to the Board there is a slow start to enrollment at The Pima Partnership High School (PPHS) and Pima Partnership Academy (PPA). Arizona Collegiate High School (ACHS) has met their enrollment goal. Mr. Kidd reported that remote learning is being offered, however that model is not ideal for at risk youth. Mr. Kidd reported a marketing push planned through December to help increase enrollment for January. PPHS is estimating nine potential graduates, and ACHS is estimating ten potential graduates in December. With the loss of enrollment there has been a review of budgets and expenses have been lowered, as well as certain open positions being left open until enrollment has improved.

   b. **Finance**
   Mr. Kidd reported even with the year-to-date loss, there is still plenty of operating capital on hand.

   c. **Grants**
   Mr. Kidd reported that there are two grants that PPHS and PPA have not been able to draw down. PPA is currently waiting on accreditation for the schools counseling position to draw down funds on the School Safety grant. PPHS's CSI Grad Rate grant was pending approval until October. Now that is has been approved funds will start to be drawn.

d. **Infrastructure**
Mr. Kidd reported there was a stage built for drama class at 25 E. Drachman that will be utilized by PPHS and PPA.

e. **Accreditation**
Mr. Kidd reported the accreditation for the PPP schools is happening now. Mr. Kidd reported the accreditation process is lengthy and requires many extra hours of work but is necessary to ensure credits the students earn with PPP schools will be accepted at other schools.

f. **Five Year Review for ACHS**
Mr. Kidd reported the PPP schools are also in the process of their 5-year Charter Board review. The Charter Board will look at curriculum and ensuring we are following through with what we indicate we will do. Mr. Kidd reported a surprise compliance visit has already occurred.

g. **2024 School Letter Grades**
Mr. Kidd reported ACHS received an A letter grade, and PPHS received a B letter grade.

h. **Cell Phone Policy**
Mr. Higgins inquired about PPP schools current cell phone policies. Mr. Kidd reported PPA has a zero-tolerance policy during class and students are required to turn them in. PPHS and ACHS are also required to turn in cell phones during class, however there is a struggle to enforce, and there is more reluctance from students and parents regarding this policy.

1. **Motion to approve minutes from the September 24, 2024, Partnership Schools Governing Board Meeting.**
The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the September 24, 2024, meeting.

Motion: Mr. Higgins moved to approve the September 24, 2024, meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Paige seconded the motion.

Vote:

Khalid Al-Maskari: Affirmative
Joe Higgins: Affirmative
Richard Paige: Affirmative

The motion was unanimously approved.

Announcements

1. **Next Meeting**
There will be no meeting in December 2024, unless necessary. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at 9:15 a.m. at COPE Community Services, Inc. 1477 W. Commerce Court, Tucson, AZ 85746.

Adjournment

1. **Motion:** Mr. Paige moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Higgins seconded the motion.
The School Board meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.