

 ASPIRA OF DELAWARE CHARTER OPERATIONS, INC.	BOARD MEETING MINUTES: ASPIRA OF DELAWARE CHARTER OPERATIONS INC. (ADCO) - DRAFT
	DATE: 6/26/2014 LOCATION: Conference Room Las Americas ASPIRA Academy (LAAA) Charter School 326 Ruthar Drive, Newark DE 19711-8017
Directors Present: John Laznik, Lilia Meredith, Jamie “Gus” Rivera (Vice-Chair), Directors Absent: Lourdes Puig (Chair), Jorge Diaz, EJ Bliely Others Present: Greg Panchisin (Business Manager), Margie Lopez-Waite (Head of School), Jim Coyne (Board Candidate), Jose Riera (Board Candidate)	
Future Meetings Dates: 6/24, No Meeting in July	

Call to Order

Jamie “Gus” Rivera (Vice-Chair) called the public session to order at 6:04PM

Approval of Agenda and Minutes

Agenda for June 26, 2014 and May 22, 2014 meeting minutes were presented and reviewed. Meredith presented a motion to accept the agenda (moving Old Business to the top of the agenda) and minutes as presented. Laznik seconded the motion and the motion to approve the agenda and minutes were approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Old Business

Laznik presented a motion to accept the board nominations from the ASPIRA of Delaware for one year terms. Jim Coyne, Jose Riera and Alex Fajardo until June 2015. Meredith seconded the motion and the motion to approve the nominees were approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Public Comment: None

Social Media Presentation *as reported by Kristen Cioeta (Enrichment Coordinator)*

Kristen presented her ideas on social media as ASPIRA Academy begins its outreach on:

- 1) Facebook /aspiraacademy
- 2) Twitter @aspiraacademy
- 3) Instagram @aspiraacademy

Questions, comments and ideas were presented by board members and answered by Kristen. Kristen will serve as the LAAA Social Media Administrator for the 2014-15 school year. Social media will be used as a supplemental line of communication for the school, it will not replace the normal means of communication that the school has put in place.

Finance Committee Report (FOC) *as reported by Greg Panchisin (Business Manager)*

Greg reviewed the May monthly financial report and the FY2015 Preliminary Operating Budget. Actual to budget remains favorable. Several questions were raised and answered. The full reports will be available on the FOC portion of www.aspiraacademy.org. A motion by Laznik, seconded by Riera that the ADCO Board accept the May 2014 Monthly Financial Report and the FY15 Preliminary Operating Budget as presented. Final resolution was unanimous.

Committee Updates

Operations Committee *as reported by Gus Rivera*

Consultant is pursuing funding for the purchase of the building.

Committee is waiting on proposal from architect for next Phase of construction.

FY14 School Audit timeline: 8/4 initial meeting; 8/15 draft and 9/5 Final document.

Academic Committee *as reported by Margie Lopez-Waite* None

Financial Committee *as reported by Greg Panchisan* None

Head of School Report *as reported by Margie Lopez-Waite*

- 1) Margie presented an updated organization chart
New hires (Dean of Instruction, HR, IT, Guidance Counselor, Development Manager as well as numerous teachers)
- 2) Enrollment target has been met 540 students 105% of goal
- 3) DCAS results
Margie presented the DCAS results. Out of the 12 categories, 10 showed student improvement and exceeded the state average. The two categories that still could be improved are both in Math.
Margie and her team are focused on providing targeted support for the students in those grades that need improvement.

Adjourn The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:00PM.