



## **IVA Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, February 4, 2015**

7:00-9:00 p.m.

3601 Linden Ave, Long Beach, CA 90807, Classroom 214

### **MINUTES**

**Directors Present:** Rebecca Irwin, Robin LaBarbera, Steve Porter, Gregg Whelan, Janet Watt, Eric Churchill

**Staff Present:** Jacquie Bryant, Danielle Montiel

**Guests:** Marisol Gold, Steve Goodwin, Chang Patel (EdTech), James McGrath, 3 IVA parents

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Call or Order and Welcome – 7:09 by Eric Churchill. He announced that he will hand out survey cards at the end of the meeting to gain feedback about the meeting.
2. Report of Closed Session Items - *nothing to report*.
3. Public Hearing – *no previous requests*.
4. Consent Agenda.  
Eric Churchill motioned to adopt the February 4 Consent Agenda  
Second: Gregg Whelan  
Unanimously approved  
**Item #150209ca, 150210ca, 150211ca, and 150212ca**
5. Public Testimony on Agenda Items - *none previously submitted*
6. Understanding our Mission – Steve Porter shared highlights from a recent educational seminar he provided for parents.
7. Staff Report – Jacquie Bryant shared about a recent parent meeting discussing the social health of students; she shared about a recent student conflict and how it was resolved; students recently went on a field trip to the Museum of Tolerance; syllabi have been formalized at a recent faculty meeting; report cards have gone through much review; middle school choice nights have been held and were well attended. Danielle Montiel compared the number of applications received during open enrollment for the years 13/14, 14/15, and 15/16; she discussed the success of our after school programs and the positive parent responses about the sense of community created; the PCSGP grant was received for over \$300,000.
8. Committee Updates
  - a. Marketing: Rebecca Irwin shared a social media update; postcards were mailed to 5<sup>th</sup> grade families in Long Beach; ads were placed in the Press Telegram and Gazette; greatest recruiting method is word of mouth.
  - b. Fund Development: Gregg Whelan mentioned that the Board previously accepted professional fundraiser Susan Redfield based on her extensive

background; she will educate staff and board members on fundraising techniques; she will put together a fundraising policy for the Board to review; Jacquie Bryant and Danielle Montiel have been meeting regularly with Susan to discuss fund development, and they provided an update about those meetings.

- c. Policy: *nothing to report*
  - d. Finance: EdTech's Chang Patel presented the financial information.
  - e. Facilities: *nothing to report*
  - f. Personnel: *nothing to report*
  - g. Nominating: *nothing to report*
  - h. Curriculum: *nothing to report*
  - i. Food: *nothing to report*
  - j. Disciplinary Committee: *nothing to report*
  - k. PTA update: Janet shared briefly about recent meetings and events.
9. IVAH Update:
- a. James McGrath provided an update on the application for IVA High School. Plans are to submit the charter petition in September 2015, with hopes of opening the school in September 2016.
10. Chairman's communication: Eric Churchill reminded the Board that form 700's are due; he provided copies for board members to complete, and asked us to scan and email to him the completed form by the next meeting. Steven Goodwin from Turning West shared an update on Strategic Planning. He suggested an extended retreat for the board (5 hours) to process the information that is gathered in the "environmental scan." From the environmental scan, we will come up with areas of focus, the strategy design (goals, objectives, dashboard, written draft), then on to Phase III.
11. Strategy and Assessment: *none*
12. Public comments on Agenda Items: *nothing was submitted*
13. New Items of Business for Future Approval: *none*
14. Call to Adjourn and Next Meeting – Eric Churchill adjourned the meeting at 8:41. The next meeting will be March 4, 2015 at the IVA office, 3601 Linden Ave., Long Beach.

Respectfully submitted:



Board Secretary

Approved: March 3, 2015