

## **Governing Council Minutes Minutes of 3/10/08**

Voting Members Present: Rose-Ann McKernan, Sheryl Garcia, Nancy Oriola, Tom Moore, Julian Rivera, Valerie Scott

Quorum Achieved: Yes

Non-voting Members Present: Ginny Wilmerding

Members Absent: Doug Redfield, David Margolin

Guests: Katy Harvey, Senator Richard Romero, Kathie Scott, Debbie Candelaria, Julie Dexter, Susan Brower, T. Heinemann (student), Naomi Zufall (For Presentation Only), Roger Miller.

Agenda Convened Meeting, Roll Call for Quorum. Have 6 voting members. It's a quorum.

Item 1

Agenda Approval of the Agenda

Item 2 Valerie made the motion to accept the agenda. Sheryl seconded the motion and the vote to approve was carried unanimously.

Agenda Approval of Minutes for the Meeting of February 11, 2008

Item 3 Sheryl made the motion to accept the minutes of February 11, 2008. Valerie seconded the motion and the vote to approve was carried with one abstention - Rose-Ann, since she joined us by a phone connection and contact was lost for some of the meeting.

Agenda Open Forum

Item 4 Katy made a presentation of a plaque to Naomi Zufall. Katy read the letter attached which was a recommendation for Naomi as the candidate to the New Mexico Talent Pool from the Public Academy for Performing Arts. It stated in part, "...Ms. Zufall is an outstanding classroom teacher, a high performing member of our faculty, and a very knowledgeable educator... Naomi Zufall is one of those truly unique and creative teachers who can motivate and lead students and her colleagues to meld artistic dance with written expression. She is truly a master teacher, and I am pleased to recommend her for the New Mexico Talent Pool." Valerie asked for a point of personal privilege as a Co-Founder of PAPA to say that she was so proud to have Naomi at PAPA because she exemplifies the kind of teacher that the Founders wanted here. She also stated that she had an enormous amount of respect for her talent and just being a wonderful human being.

Debbie Candelaria, Registrar stated that she had a personal issue and requested that a member of the G C mediate for her with her immediate supervisor. Tom volunteered to mediate.

Agenda Principal's Report

Item 5 Also see attached written report.

Katy gave us an update on the musical, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum". She said that it was only a week away. She wants it sold out for both those nights so that PAPA wouldn't go in a "hole". Musicians have volunteered their time and some will be paid. Students are rehearsing day and night. They will shine. She encourages everyone to bring their family and friends. She needs one person per night to sell water. Nancy volunteered for the 14th and Rose-Ann for the 15th.

Katy announced a substantial grant from the McCune Foundation. Thanks to Emily Awes who wrote the grant. She said that she and Pauline Nunez had reviewed it. They had gone up to Santa Fe to see them. She listed some things for which they had asked eg a Marley dance floor, 3 smaller violins, sound system for the choir room, a digital camera, white boards etc...

Nancy Oriola has graciously agreed to serve as Executive Director of our Foundation. There are five members on it. They need a chairperson. Nancy will chair because she has the experience.

Katy mentioned an anonymous e-mail written to some GC members and the staff re her evaluation. She noted that she got a letter in her mailbox that was supposed to go to David.

It was a glowing evaluation. The e-mail was ugly and many of the faculty asked to be taken off that e-mail list.

The current enrollment is 352 students. She and Kathie are watching this very carefully. She has also asked Debbie to turn in an enrollment sheet every Friday to see if we are low anywhere. See listed Upcoming Events on printed report.

#### Agenda Lobbyists' Report

Item 6 Senator Richard Romero gave an update on last legislature actions. He said that he has worked with Sue Griffith on PAPA's behalf. They have lobbied a couple of years. Last year they got \$245,000. This year they got \$75,000. They made a request to 9 different legislators who had connection to PAPA. Six made contributions. There was much competition for fewer dollars which comes from mostly oil and gas. This year was \$378 million, a 2/3rd drop. A year ago, a senator got \$2.9 million, this year \$1.3 million. They tend to give to schools and institutions in their districts. Since revenues were less, PAPA got \$75,000 because of a lot of competition. For example, Sisco McSorley gave \$100,000 last year. This year it was \$15,000. He is a supporter of PAPA, UNM, Wilson, Montezuma, Jefferson etc...The idea is to do it over and over. Southwest Learning Center a year ago got \$1.7 million. This year \$340,000, \$25,000 of which was vetoed by the Governor. He went on to list a lot of other examples of where less money was given. His advice is to keep working. Each person should contact their own representative, make contributions to them and keep up the momentum. As a school we should begin a plan and focus on it.

Katy mentioned that it's a great idea to work with McSorley and Danice Picraux who support us. Richard said that there was no reason not to get political enough eg in the School Board Elections. Jerry Ortiz Y Pino supports charter schools, so does Mark Boitano.

Nancy suggested that parents in those districts do small fundraisers in their homes.

Katy said that PAPA had bought plaques and invited some representatives and they didn't come. Valerie suggested getting a bus and going up to the Legislature for a visit. Richard said that the best time to lobby is now. Other suggestions were made. We thanked him and Sue for their work.

#### Agenda Finance Committee Report. An Action Item

Item 7 Rhonda gave the Budget Report. She said that PAPA was doing well. The month's expenditures are low. We are now at 70% spent.

(See handouts) In Operational Rhonda said that we will see a little increase next month because we had a grant and some wasn't approved, so \$10,000 will be put back in this account.

In Instructional Materials, teachers should put in a wish list for next year so they don't lose it.

The PNM foundation is Emily's grant. It will be spent by year end.

The Library SB 301 GO Bond is a new bond. We have until June 2009 to spend this. We are going to see BAR's on this issue. Don't be confused, it was for last year.

BAR's

Internal BAR 2008-047-014, State Equalization moved by Rose-Ann and seconded by Nancy. Passed unanimously.

Internal BAR 2008-047-015, State Equalization moved by Nancy and seconded by Julian. Passed unanimously.

Internal BAR 2008-047-016, Idea B moved by Julian and seconded by Tom. Passed unanimously.

Rhonda pointed out that these Internal BAR's are moved from one line item to another. They only go to the GC for approval, not the State.

External BAR 001-047-0708-0018-I Function 1000 Instruction, moved by Valerie and seconded by Julian. Add \$20,000 to activity budget. This is money that classes have raised. Nancy wanted to know if this would be spent by the end of the year. Rhonda said that \$28,150.47 is the balance left. This can be carried over if not spent. Passed unanimously.

External BAR 001-047-0708-0019-I Function 2400 Support Services-School Administration, moved by Valerie and seconded by Sheryl. Nancy wanted to know if this is the only budget for supplies. Rhonda said yes, but there is other money for the administration budget. Passed unanimously.

External BAR 001-047-0708-0020-IB Function 2200 Support Services, Instruction, moved by Julian and seconded by Tom.

Rhonda said that this must be spent by May. Rose-Ann suggested that this be spent very cautiously because of past experience. Passed unanimously.

External BAR 001-947-0708-0021-IB Function 2200 Support Services, Instruction, moved by

Valerie and seconded by Julian. This is the McCune Grant. Passed unanimously.

#### Agenda Arts Committee Report

Item 8 Valerie reminded everyone that Kathie Scott now has the tickets for the musical, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum". On February 25th, Craig Stoebling, Ed Torrez, Valerie and several actors from the show were on Eyewitness News 4, Midday promoting the show. Valerie will be on KHFM tomorrow, March 11th at about 4 pm promoting the school and the musical. A reminder that the show is this coming Friday, March 14th and Saturday, March 15th at the South Broadway Cultural Center.

On Thursday, Valerie will be attending an important meeting at the Kimo Theatre on the Impact of Arts and Culture in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County. Christopher Mead, Dean of Fine Arts at UNM and Jeffrey Mitchell, primary author of the report by the Bureau of Business and Economic Research (BBER) at UNM will introduce and explain the key findings of this report. The report highlights the need for an Arts and Cultural Industries Action Plan in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County. You're all invited to attend. Nancy requested a copy of the report.

#### Agenda Facilities Committee Report

Item 9 Roger reported that he has a draft of the Memo of Understanding from APS. He e-mailed Cazetore APS helping PAPA build a building. Two months went by and he hadn't heard anything. He said that they had talked about an architectural rendering. Each school had to contribute \$50,000. They wrote back with a broad MOU which Katy showed to her husband. He helped to rewrite it making it tighter, so we are moving forward. Karen Alerid (sp?) is meeting with him a week from tomorrow. Roger wants the Facilities Committee to meet and look at the MOU. There are some holes in it. A question is, do we end up owning the plan? We must be responsible for the plans. It should go to Greg Buehler, the lawyer before March 18th.

#### Agenda Status of the Performing Arts Foundation

Item 10 Katy said that Pauline couldn't be here. Nancy will take an active role. They will get together and see how it will be done.

#### Agenda School Calendar. An Action Item

Item 11 Valerie presented the calendar that the GC had seen at the last meeting. David had explained it then. Valerie asked that the EC and GC meetings be included. The dates were presented. Valerie made the motion to approve the calendar as amended. Julian seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Nancy wanted to know if the first day of school was the 11th. Katy said that 6th grade comes in on the 8th and the 1st day is the 11th for all other students. Katy said that they had paralleled APS and Rio Rancho and that the whole faculty worked on it with David Margolin.

#### Agenda Logistics Committee Membership. An Action Item

Item 12 Rose-Ann presented the names of the people on the Committee - Katy, the principal; Julie, the AP; and Nancy and Valerie from the GC; Dr. Brower and Kathie Scott. An arts faculty member is needed. There will be a vote on a name change. Change Logistics to Policy. The meeting will be at 6 pm following the EC. Valerie made a motion to accept the list. Julian seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

#### Agenda Procedure for Principal's Evaluation. An Action Item

Item 13 Sheryl said that a change had been made changing Adequate Performance to Meets Performance Standards. She said that Hugh Prather had provided a draft. It was given to Julian and Sheryl to work it into a new procedure. Nancy asked if it's a GC evaluation. Roger said yes, there is a calendar of goal setting and collaborative evaluation. This will go to the Logistics Committee for review and advertisement before bringing it back to the GC for final approval. Valerie asked what's the timeline? It's revolving. There was a call for a motion to forward to the Logistics Committee. Nancy made the motion and it was seconded by Tom and passed unanimously. We will be free to advise changes. Rose-Ann mentioned that this went out to review when she was on the Board before and it was sent with the Playbill.

Faculty evaluations have been done. We will have a special meeting and those should be integrated into the GC's evaluation. Ginny mentioned that the faculty may change some things in theirs.

Agenda VP Position. Possible Action Item

Item 14 This will become a policy issue next year. We currently have an Executive Committee of 4. Next year the entire Council will be 7 so will have to drop to 3. It will be 3 parents and 4 community members. We can't put a majority of 4 because then it would be a public meeting. Someone asked why 7 people? Roger suggested that since most Boards were 7. Valerie said that she didn't agree with this number. Someone needs to step up to the plate and become VP. There is an interest, however we will have to wait on that person's job situation to become firm.

Agenda Motion to Adjourn

Item 15 Julian made the motion to adjourn, Rose-Ann seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Valerie Scott, Secretary