



We the People Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2020, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

We the People High School

1635 Long Beach Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90813

Two-way Teleconference available at the school site

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AGENDA

| ORDER OF BUSINESS | SUBJECT | DISPOSITION |
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| 1. Call to order | Roll call Choi: Absent Fraser, Quevedo, Jones, McCullough, and Fraser: Present Anita Ravi: Staff Member Present | 7:07pm |
| 2. Approval of Minutes | Motion: Jones motioned to approve last board meeting (July) minutes. Second: Has seconded motion. All in Favor: Has, Jones, McCullough, Fraser and Quevedo Opposed: None Abstentions: None | Action Passed |
| 3. Announcement of Closed Session Items | In accordance with California Government Code Section 54950, the various matters to be considered in Closed Session today will be announced. | |
| 4. CLOSED SESSION | | |
| 5. Report of Closed Session Items | In accordance with California Government Code Section 54957.7, the reports required of 54957.1 regarding actions taken in Closed Session will be made known at this time. | |

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| 6. Return to OPEN SESSION | | |
| 7. Presentations from the Floor | <p>Presentations from the floor on agenda items</p> <p>Should a member of the public wish to speak on matters listed on the agenda, they may speak during Presentations from the Floor section of the agenda. Speakers will be given a maximum of five (5) minutes each to address the Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of ten (10) minutes each).</p> | |
| 8. New Business Items | | |
| a. Finance (5-10 min) | 1. July Financial Statements & Financial Review | Information |
| <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Discussed all major expenses and new hires since last board meeting. Facility improvements almost all complete with exception of a minor outdoor addition. Facility walk-through for LACOE done. Final walk-through happening at end of month. Full financial package of recent expenses available in drop-box.</p> | | |
| b. Operations (20 min) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Enrollment update 2. Teacher/Staff Update 3. Approve WTP Student-Family Handbook | <p>Information Information Action</p> |
| <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Discussed student enrollment and forecast for future months. Without reaching full enrollment we will have a deficit at end of year due to enrollment shortfall. However, we will end well with cashflow in mind this year. We have 20 enrolled and Oct 7th is census day. Enrollment on that day determines funding for next 6 months. We need to reach 35 enrolled to break even for the year. We are in the 4th week of school. Students now enrolled are very close and bonding. Outreach activities underway. Students will soon take-over all social media content creation. First school site council meeting called Parent Organizing Council took place on September 10th.</p> <p>Board members discussed strategies for increasing enrollment: selling small school component, diversity is clearly a high priority, what sets us apart from LBUSD via zoom/distance learning, more “bring your friend to school” days, radio spots (Ravi working on these), giveaways like digital gift baskets, use new Reels feature on Instagram, and Tik Tok outreach which students really love.</p> <p>Staff update provided. All teachers working from home. Anita Ravi and Patricia Reyes (office manager) working onsite daily. Staff meeting every single morning. Students enjoying the academic content. Film class is a favorite. Teachers meeting with scholars and class minutes + assignment time being officially tracked.</p> | | |

Reviewed Student-Family handbook up for review and approval today. Our families will receive this digitally and hard copies may also be mailed. Will be translated into Spanish upon approval. Discussed how absences and tardy marks are handled. No major issues now. Tech issues more common. The school has now purchased hot spots for youth and sent those to the homes of each enrolled scholar. Questions regarding attendance policy further discussed along with mental health services. Ravi will add in more specifics in reference to these questions upon approval. Tabled one topic of discussion regarding students with IEPs and their need for accommodations of grade criteria in order to graduate.

Motion: Fraser motions to approve student family handbook.

Second: McCullough seconds

All in Favor: Has, Quevedo, Fraser, McCullough, Jones

Opposed: None

Abstentions: None

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| c. Academics (5-10 minutes) | 1. Curriculum highlight: English 9 graphic novel unit | Information |
| d. Public Hearing (30-40 min) | <p>Public Hearing on We the People High School's Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan pursuant to California Education Code 43509</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation of LCAP 2. Members of the community are invited to make public comment on this draft version of the LCAP. Speakers will be given a maximum of five (5) minutes each to address the Board (non-English speakers utilizing translators will be given a maximum of ten (10) minutes each). | Information |

Discussion:

Discussed curriculum highlight from English 9. Saw student work displayed. Students just finished their first graphic novel. Students learning about annotations, evidence and reasoning. Students are doing very in-depth work.

Discussed Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan. This is a statewide document need. The plan is a key part of the overall budget package. Board reviewed the reasoning for this plan as outlined by Governor and recently passed legislature. This plan outlines our school's thorough and intentional response to serve students, families and teachers during COVID distance-learning and beyond. Board asked clarifying questions regarding our response to support WTP scholars' mental health and stability during this time. Discussed students' meals and how we've been able to secure what's needed for our youth. LACOE and Mayor's office provided PPE and other essentials.

Opened meeting to public comment to hear feedback regarding this draft of LCAP plan. Board President discussed how public comment portion of meeting works.

No public comments made.

Ravi discussed how WTP parents have already met once before to review this plan. Parents will receive survey to solicit their anonymous feedback on plan. Teachers and students will be allowed to provide feedback in the next two weeks.

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| e. Board Governance (10 min) | 1. CSGF Board Assessment: Overview of Assessment and plan for next steps | Information |
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Discussion:

Reviewed board assessment results completed with Board on Track (BOT). Specific area where more work is needed and we scored the lowest markings: development, formation of financial committee, and board member’s personal contributions. Plan of action is to form financial committee and committee chair then circle back with BOT. Fraser asked more about the Financial Committee Chair role and if overall board accountability will be addressed. Has outlined what goals are more immediate and what happens there after. A few board members are comfortable with a Development Committee instead of a Financial committee. McCullough open to spearheading some of this and will work with Has to form a Development Committee. We can log back into portal where we were originally assessed WTP to review other Board on Track tools.

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| 9. Future Business | Call for new agenda items from the Board of Directors | |
| 10. Call to adjourn | | 8:31pm |

We the People High School
Board Meeting Dates, 2020-21 Fiscal & School Year: Adopted 6.15.2020
 Location: 1635 Long Beach Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90813

The Board meets the third Monday of every month from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. unless otherwise posted. Agendas are posted online on our website, and at our meeting location 72 hours in advance of each meeting. The Board of Directors follows the Brown Act. All meetings are open to the public.

2020:

- Monday, July 20
- Monday, August 17
- Monday, September 14 (added in August, 2020)
- ~~Monday, September 21~~
- Monday, September 28 (added in August, 2020)
- Monday, October 19

- Monday, November 16
- Monday, December 21

2021

- Tuesday, January 19 (MLK Jr. Day Monday Holiday)
- Tuesday, February 16 (Presidents' Day Monday Holiday)
- Monday, March 15
- Monday, April 19
- Monday, May 17
- Monday, June 21