**HOPE Meeting**

Meeting Minutes

October 19, 2016

**I. Opening:** Meeting called to order at 7:17 PM by Veronica Velasco-Martinez

**Present:** Roseanna Donohue, Paula Emanuele, Rocio Figueroa, Martha Galelli, Monica Slater, Gloria Tejeda, Jolina McCurry, Blanca Bonilla, Marie Ginez, Annette Soto, Stephanie Lombard, Christine DiPalma,

**II. Updates:**

**Veronica Velasco- Martinez: President’s report:**

* SAT Bootcamp cancelled- minimum not met
* HOPE bags for sale @ $25 for scholarship fund
* November 12, 2016 Adelante Men’s Youth Conference in Pasadena.
* Teddy Bear Tea donations needed-Lottery tickets/monetary donation for the Jackpot basket.
* UCI tour cancelled on October 15th. Will try to reschedule at a later date.
* October 29th Lead Conference
* Principal Jones will attend the November meeting.
* Parents pleased with CAAP and Chaparral Middle School collaboration
* Donna attended the Mag 7 meeting-well received
* Open house at The Country Estates cancelled
* Casino Night may be a possibility
* **Rocio Figueroa: Treasurer**
* October Catalyst Prep raised +$600 motion to approve by Christina DiPalma, seconded by Martha Galelli
* **Roseanna Donohue** questioned whether the email list should be updated. Due to lack of participation and communication breakdown.
* **Jolina McCurry** suggested Dave Desmond may be able to help with the communication breakdown by including HOPE information in the Senior Bulletin.
* **Mr. Aguilar** suggested HOPE club should cast a wider net with other clubs (Mag 7) formore participation incollege tour & conferences.
* **Paula Emanuele: Coordinating Council Meeting**

**Superintendent Report:**

* + - * Dr. Taylor keynote speaker at the United Walnut Taxpayers event at the Hibachi Grill Buffet in Covina this Friday, October 14 at 7pm. He will be speaking about the upcoming bond and DOC.
      * Solar Panels/shade structures: District is reviewing proposals from solar companies. There would be no money up front and then we get energy saving in years to come.

**WV Bond**

1. Strong community support
2. At this point no organized opposition
3. Dr. Taylor thanked the volunteer phone bankers. Phone banking is finished
4. Teachers in support of the bond

**DOC**

* District is meeting with 5 of the largest district of choice from across the state.
* Asst. Superintendent of Ed Services, Jeff Jordon has put together a small parent committee that will let parents in the community know what they may do about DOC.
* Rep. Lorena Gonzales would like to collaborate on a bill to resolve DOC. A few ideas are:
* 1. Regular bill (need majority to pass) effective as of January 1,2018.
* 2. An Urgency bill signed by the governor in the spring (need 2/3 support) effective upon signing perhaps in March.
* 3. In the governor’s budget which comes out January 10, 2017.
* Other districts are coming to WVUSD to discuss arrangements regarding DOC students attending WVUSD. They are inquiring how we are addressing the students already in our system and if they get to stay in our program.

**Achievements:**

* DBHS recently named the #1 high school in CA based on college readiness and AP courses.
* Dr. Taylor, board member and a parent from the Coordinating Council went to Lexington, Massachusetts. A local school district from Lexington identified WVUSD as doing the best job accepting and integrating diverse population. The reps from WVUSD discussed best practices to the school district

**District Speakers:**

* Liz Brown-Smith, Director of Nutrition Services
* Discussed creating a Wellness Committee- to update our districts wellness policy, which is required in preparation for next year’s audit.
* She reviewed the Education and Federal Codes and selling smart food.

**Mike Hodson, Asst. Super Business Services**

* Water sensors @ DB schools alerts if over watering or under watering.
* Working with EP Group: Earthquake & Emergency Kit- Updating all earthquake and disaster plans.

**Teddy Bear Tea**

* October 21, 2016 deadline for drop off at Walnut Valley Ed Foundation Office.
* November 12, 2016 at Diamond Bar Center from 10am-2pm
* Tickets: $500 for a table of 10 or $50 each.

**Diamond Bar Foundation Gala**

* November 19, 2016- All monies raised goes to the schools.

**III. CJ’S Angels + Armas Skulls and Stitches**

Local artist Annette Armas presented her works of arts for DIA DE LOS MUERTOS. Her creations were available for purchase.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:52**