

# Charter Mission Amendment Request

## Charterholder Info

### Charter Holder

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## Mission

### Change From

Pima Prevention Academy is a diverse learning community in partnership with students, their caregivers, and community stakeholders that equip students with the skills to move forward academically, master standards, strive for individual excellence, and become active, productive citizens.

### Change To

Pima Partnership Academy Mission Statement - Revised Mission Statement The mission of Pima Partnership Academy, an Advanced-Ed accredited middle school, is to provide a rigorous, differentiated educational programs with an extended day component and technology-enhanced instruction. Pima Partnership Academy provides opportunities for at-risk youths with histories of adjudication, academic underperformance, poor school attendance, documented histories of disruptive behavior and at high risk for dropping out of school. The students are provided with a curriculum that is aligned to Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards in the core content areas of Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. Student progress will be supported by a well-staffed, secure and structured environment leading to a successful transition to high school.

## Attachments

**Board Minutes** —  [Download File](#)

### Additional Information\*

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## Signatures

**Charter Representative Signature**  
Harry Kressler 08/20/2014

**Pima Partnership High School/Pima Partnership Academy  
School Board Governing Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 23, 2014**

**Members Present**

- Dr. Brenda Even, President
- Anna Cheshier
- Arcadio Gastelum
- William Lofquist

**Staff Present**

- Tom Miller, Associate Superintendent
- Dr. John Carroll, Chief Financial Officer
- Lisa Long, Pima Partnership High School, Principal
- Kamren Taravati, Pima Partnership Academy, Vice- Principal
- Michael Dunbar, Arizona Collegiate High School, Principal

**General Matter**

Meeting was called to order at 9:50 a.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Public Comment** – There was no public comment.

**Chair's Report** – No report.

**Associate Superintendent's Report** – Mr. Miller welcomed the Board and gave an updated report on the schools current enrollment numbers and announced that they are currently at its highest number of students enrolled at Pima Partnership High School and Pima Partnership Academy; current number of students enrolled is at 232 at PPHS and 108 at PPA. He discussed the schools have already submitted their recruitment plans for the next school year which have been reviewed by Mr. Miller and Mr. Kressler and have started the recruitment process for the 2014/2015 school year. Mr. Miller spoke on the negotiation of the media contracts with Clear Channel Radio Station which is set to begin the first broadcasts in May of 2014. Mr. Miller discussed the schools current teaching vacancy at the school at the moment which is the Science position which has been filled. Mr. Miller also commented about the PARCC testing that took place at the schools which will most likely be the testing that the state of Arizona will use.

**Principal's Report** - Ms. Long and Mr. Taravati provided an update on activities within the two schools. Ms. Long spoke on the computer incentive give away where about 32 students between Pima Partnership Academy and Pima Partnership High School received new touch screen netbooks. Ms. Long also noted that the PE Grant was in its last year which has been able to provide both the middle school and high school with PE teachers to help support the students stay active and lead healthy lifestyles. Ms. Long discussed that the SIG grant was in its last year

which was extended for an additional year which helped the school add final touches on the systems that were put in place at the schools. She spoke on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant for the high school which is in its first year and praised the program for reaching its goal for number of students enrolled in the program. Ms. Long spoke on the advanced placement classes that the high school as had for the first time AP Literature and AP World History and was pleased to announce that 12 students were able to finish the classes and will be taking their AP exams the second week in May. She discussed that the middle school was currently applying for a new Blended Learning grant which will help the students work part time with the teachers and half the time on the computer to help to see where the student's strengths and weaknesses are in their academic program. The grant will also provide the school with new computer software which will help the teachers really figure out where the student's strengths are. Ms. Long also noted that PPP was recently awarded a new Teen Cuisine grant which will be used to reach out to kids in the community that are interested in culinary arts and that have not been in school and had had a history of adjudication, the school will be using this new program as a recruitment tool to get the students enrolled into the schools. Mr. Taravati also spoke on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century program at the middle school and noted that they are currently one student away from meeting their goal of 48 students of being regular attendees which is a huge achievement for the school having such a small population. Mr. Taravati also noted that this is the last year of the grant and are currently applying for an extension and are almost complete with all the revisions. He discussed that the middle school was awarded a new \$5000 grant through the Arizona Technological Association which will allow the school to build digital graphic novels in terms of making films in the math class to teach the students how to solve math problems and simplify expressions. He also noted that the middle school was granted a Best Buy grant back in October which allowed them and also Arizona Collegiate High School to purchase some new netbooks as well as other hardware for the students to set up websites for their classes and they are also working with ACHS to set up a virtual support group. Ms. Long and Mr. Taravati also spoke about the middle school finishing up with the AIMS testing and are currently awaiting the test results which should be coming in at the end of June.

#### **Approval of Minutes January 23, 2014:**

- **Motion:** To approve minutes for January 23, 2014 was made by Mr. Lofquist. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cheshier. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### **Review of Financial Report:**

Dr. John Carroll gave an overview of the previous quarter January through March 2014 financials and check and credit card reports and noted that the schools were operating very well.

- **Motion:** To approve Pima Partnership Academy and Pima Partnership High School financial statements for January through March 2014 as presented was made by Mr. Lofquist. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cheshier. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### **Study/Action Items:**

1. Approval of the Pima Partnership Academy 2014-2015 School Year Calendar.

- **Motion:** To approve the Pima Partnership Academy 2014-2015 School Year Calendar was made by Mr. Gastelum. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cheshier. The motion was passed unanimously.
2. Approval of the Pima Partnership Academy Mission Statement
    - **Motion:** To approve the Pima Partnership Academy Mission Statement was made by Mr. Lofquist. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gastelum. The motion was passed unanimously
  3. Approval of Pima Partnership High School 2014/2015 School Year Calendar.
    - **Motion:** To approve the Pima Partnership High School 2014/2015 School Year Calendar was made by Mr. Gastelum. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cheshier. The motion was passed unanimously
  4. Approval of Pima Partnership High School Mission Statement.
    - **Motion:** To approve the Pima Partnership High School Mission Statement was made by Mr. Lofquist. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gastelum. The motion was passed unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 10:43 a.m.