

CITY OF HIALEAH
CHARTER SCHOOL
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Mayor Carlos Hernandez, Chair
Luis Gonzalez, Vice Chair
Katharine E. Cue-Fuente,
Secretary/Treasurer



Committee Members:

Jose F. Caragol
Vivian Casáls-Muñoz
Isis Garcia-Martinez
Paul B. Hernández
Lourdes Lozano

November 24, 2015

MINUTES/ SUMMARY AGENDA

Call to Order- **Mayor Hernandez called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m.**

Roll Call of Oversight Committee Members - **City Clerk, Marbelys Fatjo, called the roll with the following Council Members present:**

- Council President Luis Gonzalez
- Council Vice President Cue-Fuente
- Councilman Jose Caragol
- Councilwoman Vivian Casáls-Muñoz
- Councilwoman Isis Garcia-Martinez
- Councilwoman Lourdes Lozano

- **Council Members Absent:**
 - Councilman Paul Hernandez

- **Also present were:**
 - Lorena Bravo, City Attorney
 - Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

Invocation given by Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Vice President Cue-Fuente.

Meeting Guidelines

➤ **ALL LOBBYISTS MUST REGISTER WITH THE CITY CLERK**

- As a courtesy to others, please refrain from using cellular telephones or other similar electronic devices in the Council Chamber.

- A maximum of three (3) speakers in favor and three (3) speakers in opposition will be allowed to address the Council on any one item. Each speaker's comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.
- No signs or placards, in support of or in opposition to an item or speaker, shall be permitted within the Council Chamber.
- Members of the public may address the City Council on any item pertaining to City business during the Comments and Questions portion of the meeting. A member of the public is limited to one appearance before the City Council and the speaker's comments will be limited to three (3) minutes.

REPORT: The meeting guidelines were read into the record by the City Clerk, and translated to Spanish by Lisette Perez, Administrative Aide in the Office of the City Clerk.

1) Announcement of Amendments/Corrections to the Agenda (if any).

a) **The ending date for item C has been changed to November 10, 2016.**

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2) Consent Agenda –

All items listed with letter designations are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Committee Member or a resident so requests, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the consent agenda and considered along with the regular order of business.

REPORT: Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda made by Councilwoman Garcia-Martinez, and seconded by Councilwoman Casáls Muñoz. MOTION PASSED (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.

A. Request permission to approve the Summary Agenda / Minutes of the City of Hialeah Charter School Oversight Committee meeting of **August 25, 2015. Approved (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.**

B. Request permission to increase the annual expenditure for communications for the **City of Hialeah Educational Academy to FPL FiberNet from \$55,000 to \$60,000.** Funding for this expenditure will be drawn from Fiscal 15-16 budget against account number **370. Approved (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.**

C. Request permission to affirm the Mayor and each Council Member as members of the Charter School Oversight Committee, and further electing officers as per the School's Charter: **Mayor Carlos Hernandez as Chair; the Council President Luis Gonzalez as Vice Chair; and Council Vice President Katherine Cue-Fuente as Secretary/Treasurer,**

commencing on November 10, 2015 and ending in November 10, 2016. **Approved as Amended (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.**

3) Presentation of Financial Reports by Academica Dade LLC.

- a) Request permission to approve the **Quarterly Financial Statement** (Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) for the period that ended on September 30, 2015. **Approved (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.**

REPORT: Ana Martinez, 6340 Sunset Drive, addressed the Committee on this item.

REPORT: Motion to Approve Item 3a made by Councilwoman Casáls-Muñoz and seconded by Council Vice-President Cue-Fuente. MOTION PASSED (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.

- b) Request permission to approve the 2015-2016 **Revised Annual Budgets** (based on FTE of 800) for the City of Hialeah Educational Academy. **Approved (7-0-1) with Councilman Hernandez absent.**

REPORT: Motion to Approve Item 3b made by Council President Gonzalez, and seconded by Councilman Caragol. MOTION PASSED (7-0-1).

- c) Request permission to approve the **Basic Financial Statements and Supplemental Information** (Audit) for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2015. **Approved (7-0-1)**

REPORT: Ana Martinez, 6340 Sunset Drive, addressed the Committee on this item.

REPORT: Motion to Approve the Item 3c made by Councilwoman Casáls-Muñoz, and seconded by Council Vice-President Cue-Fuente. MOTION PASSED (7-0-1).

4) Presentation of Principal's Report by Carlos Alvarez, Principal of the *City of Hialeah Educational Academy*.

REPORT: Carlos Alvarez, Principal of the Hialeah Educational Academy, addressed the Committee.

5) Unfinished Business- **None.**

6) New Business-

7) Comments and Questions

- **Mayor Hernandez invited Marla Alpizar, Director of the Communications and Special Events Department to speak. Marla Alpizar invited all to attend the Clima Exhibit by Xavier Cortada.**

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**NEXT CHARTER SCHOOL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING:
February 23, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.**