



LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Office of Parent and Community Services  
 Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)  
 Orientation and Election of Officers



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Continuation of Election of Officers from  
 Thursday, October 29, 2020 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm  
 Thursday, November 19, 2020

Agenda Item	Presentation/Discussion/Questions
<p>1. Welcome and Opening Remarks</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>W E L C O M E</b></p>	<p>The meeting was called to order by Diane Panossian, Director from the Office of the Parent Community Services. She welcomed the committee. She explained how to engage in a zoom meeting. She introduced Mr. Antonio Plascencia Jr. Director of the Office of Parent Community Service. He gave greetings and explained that this meeting is a continuation of the PAC elections held on October 29<sup>th</sup>. He explained that we have two positions to fill and one of the positions is a run-off. He stated that we are partners in learning and that we need to listen very carefully to Leah Brackins that will be the electioneer today. He asked that you unmute yourself when you speak, follow the procedures and when you are called upon by the electioneer. He asked the group to support a welcoming environment for all and that we have rules of decorum. We also have operating norms that we should follow, the object is not to censor anyone, but to build community. Please do not make any comments that may cause harm to others. Please be mindful that your statements should be according to the guidelines that you may have signed. These standards also applies to the members of the public. He asked everyone agrees, please give a “thumbs up”, in the chat.</p>
<p>2. Flag Salute</p>	<p>Marisol Hernandez a PAC member led the flag salute. She conducted the flag salute in English and Spanish.</p>
<p>3. Public Comment</p>	<p>Two minutes given for each public comment. There was only one speaker.</p> <p>Public Comment:            1. Mrs. Andrea Ambriz</p>
<p>4. Overview of Election</p>	<p>Leah Brackins, Senior Parent Community Facilitator gave an overview of the “Election Meeting Norms”. If we follow the guidelines, we will have a successful election. She announced the names of officers elected at the previous election. She announced that we would be</p>

	<p>electing the position of the Parliamentarian and the Public Relations Officer. She began her presentation about the officer's roles and responsibilities. She discussed how we learn about the Local Control Accountability Plan and how the group reviews the plan and gives comments to the Superintendent. She then gave an overview of the roles of responsibilities of the Parliamentarian and the Public Relations Officer. She reviewed the election guidelines in detail. She explained how they could self-nominate or nominate another member. She stated that members must be present through "zoom", no vote by proxy. She said when your name is called to cast your vote, please just state the name of the person you want to vote for, please no extra comments are needed. Texting not permitted nor side bar conversation during the election process. If you have a question, please raise your hand and a staff member will help you. Each candidate will have 2 minutes to give a speech, why he or she would like to be an officer. Mrs. Panossian re-informed the committee not to text anyone during the election process or influence anyone to vote a certain way. Every member should vote for his or her own candidate.</p>
<p>5. Roll Call</p> <p><b>Roll Call</b></p>	<p>Angie Cardenas, Senior Parent Community Facilitator conducted roll call. Dr. Mahmud will display the data sheet with the names of members. In the case of a vacancy of a member, an alternate that arrived first by the local district and by the category will fill it.</p> <p><b><u>LD Central:</u></b> All present, not seating any alternate</p> <p><b><u>LD East:</u></b> Vacancy from (FRMP)/Yazmin Arevalo replaced Ricardo Gastelum, vacancy from (EL) /Janeth Galindo replaced Magda Vargas, Vacancy from (at large)/ Raquel Toscano replaced Luz Montoya</p> <p><b><u>LD Northeast:</u></b> Edia Cordero replaced Hermilinda Martinez / vacancy from (At large) Ariel Harman replaced Carla Suarez-Capdet</p> <p><b><u>LD Northwest:</u></b> Vacancy from (EL)/Laura Baz replaced Lorena Sardaryan</p> <p><b><u>LD South:</u></b> Vacancy from (FRMP) Winter Zelaya replaced Clinton Frosch/ vacancy from (EL) Norma Gonzalez replaced David Ho</p> <p><b><u>LD West:</u></b> Vacancy from (EL) Maria Munar replaced Maria Marroquin / vacancy (At large) Elizabeth Santiago replaced Sharnell Blevins</p> <p>Board Representatives no vacancy</p>
<p>6. Quorum</p> <p><b>Quorum</b></p>	<p>Angie Cardenas, Senior Parent Community Facilitator conducted roll call. She asked the members to unmute themselves and say present. She announced that we have 48 members in attendance, the PAC quorum is 25. Quorum established.</p>

<p>7. Unfinished Business: Election of Parliamentarian</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue the election with only the top-two (2) candidates for Parliamentarian</li> <li>Previous election of October 29, 2020.</li> </ul> <p><b>Run-off</b></p> <p><b>E L E C T I O N</b></p>	<p>Mrs. Brackins announced that we would not be sitting any more members at this point. We will continue the elections with the run-off for Parliamentarian. She stated that the two run-off candidates, Juan Jose Mangandi and Judith Padilla did not receive the majority of votes to win therefore, would have an opportunity to give their speeches for two minutes. She gave a brief overview of the role and responsibility of the Parliamentarian. She asked the two candidates to adhere to the election guidelines. She asked Juan Jose Mangandi to begin his speech. Mr. Mangandi in his speech voluntarily announced that he is stepping down as one of the candidates and gave the position to Judith Padilla. Mrs. Brackins asked him to restate whether he was stepping down. Mr. Mangandi was given an opportunity to speak again to clarify that he was stepping down. Mr. Fonseca called for point of order. He was only asked to respond yes or no, to stepping down. Mr. Mangandi gave his point of view. Mrs. Brackins asked him to clearly state if he was running, yes or no. He did not respond. A long pause was given to see if he would respond. Mrs. Brackins stated to the membership that we will continue with the election process after a break to consult with the Administration for the next steps. Mrs. Brackins returned and stated that Judith Padilla at the last election did not have a majority of votes, so she cannot be declared a winner. Mrs. Brackins stated that per the PAC Bylaws, candidates must receive a majority of votes. She then announced that the membership should cast a vote for Judith Padilla or abstain from voting. Judith Padilla gave her speech. Mrs. Cardenas conducted a roll call vote. Dr. Heidi Mahmud, Specialist from the Office of Parent Community Services, recorded the tally vote on the database (roll call list) in presence of the zoom/webinar that was witnessed by the membership and participants.</p> <p>48 members present/ 25 majority votes to win</p> <p>Run-off Candidates (previous election of October 29, 2020) Juan Jose Mangandi (He decided to stepped down) Judith Padilla</p> <p><b><u>Round 1/Vote:</u></b> Judith Padilla (39) Abstain:</p> <p>Election result: Judith Padilla is the PAC Parliamentarian</p>

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8. Election of Public Relation Officer

Mrs. Brackins opened the floor for nominations for Public Relations Officer.

Candidates:  
Shalita Williams  
Norma E. Gonzalez (removed, she is an alternate)  
Dorothy Pincus  
Geraldine Hernandez-Abirsor  
Cecilio Lopez  
Yulisa Carias

Floor closed, Mrs. Brackins asked the members if there is any opposed, hearing none, she had a consensus from the membership. She explained that each candidate would have 2 minutes to address the membership. She began the process with each candidate. One of candidate is an alternate Norma Gonzalez removed, because per the PAC Bylaws an alternate cannot hold an officer position.

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Mrs. Brackins restated the candidates. Mrs. Cardenas conducted a roll call vote. Dr. Heidi Mahmud, Specialist from the office of Parent Community Services, recorded the tally vote on the database (roll call list) in presence of the zoom/webinar that was witnessed by the membership and participants.

42 members present / 22 to win by majority

**Round 1/Votes:**

Candidates:  
Shalita Williams (2)  
Norma E. Gonzalez (removed, she is an alternate)  
Dorothy Pincus (3)  
Geraldine Hernandez-Abirsor (15)  
Cecilio Lopez (14)  
Yulisa Carias (5)

Abstain votes: (1)

Results: None of the candidates received a majority of votes, a run-off will be conducted from the two highest vote.

<p>9. Run-off Public Relation Officer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Run-off</b></p>	<p>Leah Brackins gave the two candidates an opportunity to give a speech.</p> <p><b>Round 2/Vote</b>  Candidates:  Geraldine Hernandez-Abirsor (27)  Cecilio Lopez (14)</p> <p>Abstain (1)</p> <p>42 members present / 22 to win by majority.</p> <p>Results: Geraldine Hernandez-Abirsor is the PAC Public Relations Officer</p>
<p>10. Handing over the meeting to the PAC Chairperson</p>	<p>Leah Brackins thanked everyone for their participation and turned the meeting to the new chairperson Paul Roback. He asked the participants to give a round of applause to the staff of PCS. He gave his remark about his leadership and for all of us to come together. He said, we need to focus on the students that we represent. He asked to see the agenda. He then asked the membership to give themselves a round of applause for staying with the process. He stated that we finished ahead of time.</p>
<p>11. Announcement</p>	<p>Mr. Robak explain what announcements are and that members and staff can give announcements.</p> <p>He asked if there is any announcements from staff. Mr. Plascencia announced the sessions of Parliamentarian Procedures and invited them to participate, he also stated that parents will be hosting and presenting along with the PCS staff.</p> <p>Paul Robak, stated that Mr. Chau is present here to give us a presentation on LCAP. He said that if anyone would like to stay and hear his presentation after this meeting is <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">over</span> is welcomed to stay on the zoom meeting.</p> <p>Mayra Zamora announce that Local District South will host a Title 1 Parent Conference, please reach out to your local district to see when they occur.</p> <p>Mr. Absalon announced or gave a statement for unity, to continue to support and attend these meetings, congrats to the chairperson, it is not easy, but it is the responsibility of all of us to be successful. The first amendment is a national law for everyone to unite.</p>

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	<p>Mrs. Zelaya, needed clarification on what time is the town hall meeting. Mrs. Panossian will check. The town hall meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Mrs. Pincus, congrats to everyone that won, there is energy here that is not necessary. We can make a change for our children, if we all can get along and bring in a new energy.</p> <p>Mr, Robak stated, it will get better, give it a chance, you will see that we can change and head for the stars.</p> <p>Luis Calderon, I would like you to consider not to have meeting conflict with other meetings.</p> <p>Mr. Robak said that Dr. Manuel gives a wonderful workshop called "Group Dynamics" and I will suggest that we have this workshop for the entire membership.</p>
12. Adjournment	<p>The meeting ended at 5:06 p.m.</p> <p>Dr. Chau, thanked the membership for allowing him to present. He gave a brief presentation on the 2020 Budget Overview and 2021-24 LCAP Planning. Karen G. Long has joined the team. We need to keep you updated on the LCAP. This year is very different it is a three-year plan.</p>