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Board Meeting: May 29, 2014

Executive Director Report –Patti Wilczek

1. Our proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Alameda Boys and Girls Club is ready for approval by the CLCS board this month. The document has been changed slightly to reflect an increase in the space we will be utilizing within the B&GC facility. The additional use of their Learning Center was agreed upon last week, so has been added to the MOU. The MOU now provides CLCS with school-hour, exclusive use of the B&GC gymnasium, rest rooms, art classroom, Learning Center, and an office space for the CLCS staff.

2. Progress regarding the upcoming move:

- I continue meeting with District staff to finalize dates and details.
- We are securing Chipman Relocation Company for the lifting and lugging, and packing boxes have been delivered to all three sites. The Chipman contract is before the board for approval this month.
- A quote for IT consolidation and relocation is provided this month for review and approval.
- I am in negotiations with the District staff agree upon resolution of the three school sites we will be vacating.
- We are planning on reducing our contract for total number of Xerox machines from three to two at the new site. A cost-benefit analysis is underway.
- We will be installing a new phone line into the CLCS office, and will be using the B&GC's network for internet access.
- Dumpsters will be delivered to all three sites by week's end.
- We are in the process of receiving bids for janitorial services for the new site.

3. Hiring and Staffing:

a. Chief Operations Officer (COO): The COO position has been revised and is before the Board this month for approval. There will be a search conducted for the permanent COO in June, with the new person starting July 1. A personnel committee representing both schools will assist in the search for our new COO.

b. Nea Lead Facilitator: The job opportunity for the Lead Facilitator position at Nea has

been posted since Monday, May 12. Nea's Governing Board has identified a personnel committee that will assist in the search process for that school's next LF. The process being utilized in this search is a slightly modified version of that used to identify ACLC's Lead Facilitator two years ago. It is as follows:

- Personnel Committee will conduct interviews under the direction of the Executive Director (ED).
- ED created a job announcement.
- The job announcement was circulated to CLCS Board and Nea Governing Board members for comment and edits.
- The job announcement has been posted on EdJoin, Charter School bulletin boards, etc.
- The job announcement will remain posted for three weeks, and longer if necessary.
- Two members of the Personnel Committee have been asked by the ED to serve as additional reviewers for vetting applications. Pat Petersen (Nea Governing Board member and UV parent), Caitlin Schwarzman (Educator providing teacher training and supervision at Mills College, and LV parent), and I will select a group of candidates who will then be brought before the full Personnel Committee for group interviews.
- The Executive Director will conduct small-group tours of Nea campuses and the new site with candidates.
- The Personnel Committee will interview selected Lead Facilitator candidates.
- As agreed by Nea's Governing Board, the Personnel Committee will consist of:
 - Approximately 15 members, including:
 - The Executive Director
 - Five parents
 - One to two learners
 - Two Nea Board members
 - Four Nea facilitators
 - One CLCS Board member
 - One community member
- A minimum of four Committee members must be present for an interview to take place.
- Nea Governing Board appointed the parents and learners, and Nea Board member.
- The Interim Lead Facilitator is soliciting facilitator members from both Lower and Upper Villages.
- The ED shall appoint the community member.
- The CLCS Board President shall appoint the CLCS Board member.
- The Personnel Committee shall recommend a maximum of three unranked acceptable candidates to fill the position to the ED.



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- ED shall review the Personnel Committee's written recommendations, and make a recommendation to the CLCS Board for hiring.
- The hiring decision is referred to closed session of CLCS Board for final hiring determination.

To date, we have received five applications for Nea's LF position, which are being vetted by the three application reviewers. In addition, I have been in communication with Scion Nonprofit Staffing and have received a proposal for services, if it becomes necessary and appropriate to retain an outside search consultant. Scion Nonprofit Staffing had been retained for the Executive Director search, and received strong satisfaction reports from those involved in that process. Scion would charge 20% of the new hire's initial salary to assist in this search. No commitment to retain Scion's services has been made at this time.

4. Collective bargaining meetings with our certificated and classified groups continue. A comprehensive proposal that included a multi-year compensation package was presented to employees during negotiation meetings on April 30 and May 1 meeting. We continue to work through proposals and counter-proposals. Our next negotiation meeting is scheduled for June 4.

5. Letters outlining material changes to the Nea and ACLC charters have been provided to the AUSD staff. The only revisions indicated in these pertain to slightly altered language with respect to each school's admission policies. A comprehensive progress report will be crafted, and an exhaustive examination of ACLC's charter will be conducted over the summer as part of the charter renewal process.

6. Historically, regular CLCS Board meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, August through June, with a summer hiatus in July. As such, I have identified the following Board meeting dates for 2014-15, some of which stray from the third Thursday due to conflicts and/or holidays.

- Thursday, August 21
- Thursday, September 18
- Thursday, October 16
- Thursday, November 20
- Thursday, December 18
- Thursday, January 22
- Thursday, February 19
- Thursday, March 19
- Thursday, April 16
- Thursday, May 21
- Thursday, June 11



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I welcome any comments.