

Boulder Preparatory Charter High School
Board of Trustees Meeting 10-25-2017
Quarterly Administration Report summarizing Block 1, 2016/2017

The Faculty:

- The person we had lined up to teach Computer Science got a full-time job offer, so we had to scramble last minute to get the classes covered. Fred Gluck taught Video Game Design using Agent Cubes, and Tyler Chacon taught Intro to Programming using Game Maker.
- Tom Zak continued as an adjunct this block to teach Civics and Great writing.
- Ian McLaughlin returned to teach the mural arts class. Picture Woods has been generous in paying for Ian's time and the materials.
- Kristel Brown joined us from Parlando to run an acting class.
- Dominick Walls, our new Graduation Coach, hit the ground running by team-teaching the Infectious Disease and Senior Life Skills courses with Lili.
- Lorena Rivera, our new Business Manager/Registrar, has been eager to learn and is quickly developing relationships with the students.

The Students:

- We were able to get 20 new students in block 1, but a few of them started after the Count date, so we weren't able to receive funding for all of them.
- There are 10 seniors who should have graduated last year that are struggling still to follow through with their final requirements.
- The district is still finalizing our pupil count data, but we should be around 83 students.
- We had a record number of students (23%) who passed all their classes in block 1.
- 10 Students were trained as Restorative Peer Leaders in an intensive Leadership class.

The Program

- We took the entire student body to Left Hand Canyon for a flood restoration project. They replanted native grasses where erosion was happening.
- All but 5 students enjoyed the all-intensive schedule and overall academic performance was high.
- At least half of the classes were able to do fieldtrips in the community to enhance their curriculum. Some highlights were visiting murals in Denver, the Doctor's without Borders Exhibit for Infectious Disease, the water treatment plant for Chemistry, and Auraria Campus for the Seniors.
- Boulder Prep staff and students hosted a booth at Pride Fest to build awareness about the school.
- Lorena assisted with translating our flyer so we could appeal to Latino families.
- We sent out a number of e-mails to District admin, counselors, social workers, SPED case managers, and local therapists to raise awareness about us.
- We hosted three parent nights: FAFSA Workshop, College Advising, Community Open House.
- We launched our newly designed website.

The Facility

- The city re-paved Spine and Chaparral.
- The staff toured two schools to get ideas for furniture and building re-design. We hope to begin ordering furniture and schedule renovations as soon as possible.
- David Young has been using our space on the weekend to offer Lakota language and Drumming classes on Sundays.
- A power outage in the neighborhood fried our microwave and one of our computers.
- We completed the renewal on our Mortgage. The interest rate went up about 2%.

Development/Fundraising

- We did not receive the STEM grant through Best-Buy.
- Our 5K Peace Run netted just under \$4000 which was earmarked for a new van.
- Two directors from Noodles came to Boulder Prep to recruit students and also indicated that they could make a donation for our Wine Taster.
- A local realtor has offered to donate a portion of his commissions on any Boulder Prep referred sales.