



# Raíces del Saber Xinachtli Community School Governance Board Meeting

August 22, 2019

400 Bell Ave., Raíces Office Portable

Located at East End of La Academia Dolores Huerta

5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Call in # (605) 472-5314 - Access Code: 273462

## Mission

Raíces del Saber Xinachtli Community School implements a developmentally appropriate rigorous academic program through an interdisciplinary curriculum that is experiential, participatory, biliterate, child-centered, and culturally responsive. Our students learn Spanish and English, achieving academic proficiency in all subjects in both languages as they develop critical and creative thinking skills.

Raíces creates an environment where students and parents are valued as participants in the construction of knowledge and the creation of a learning community that promotes high academic performance, positive identity formation, and the reclaiming of cultural heritage.

### Governance Board Officers:

Emma Armendariz, Chair  
Rocio Benedicto, Vice-Chair  
Jane Asche, Secretary  
Ray Reich, Treasurer

### Other Board Members:

Alejandro Flores  
Paul Gutierrez  
Irene Oliver-Lewis

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call – by voice vote
3. Conflict of Interest Declaration
4. Approval of Agenda\*
5. Public Input - (*Public Input Welcome. Please see procedures for Public Input on page 2 of this agenda.*)
6. Introduction of Raíces Staff Members
7. Brief Comments from a Parent and Student about their school experience at Raíces
8. Consent Agenda\*
  - a) Approval of Minutes from August 9, 2019 Board Meeting
9. Reports from Committees

\* Indicates Action Item

- a. Academic Performance Committee - Discuss appointments to this committee
  - b. Finance – presentation of monthly finance report by Treasurer Ray Reich
    - Possible action on BARs (Budget adjustment requests)
    - Discussion of how the federal food reimbursement funds are secured
  - c. Facilities Committee – Report on Facilities Update by Alejandro Flores
    - Discussion of recent actions to ensure our school building at 2211 N. Valley Ave. is ready to move into by October 11 and why this is critical to the future funding of the school.
  - d. Governance Board Development Committee – Brief Training on
    - Role and Responsibilities of the Finance Committee, and
    - Role of each board member with regard to school finances
    - Letter of resignation from Irene Oliver-Lewis
    - Introduction of new potential Board Member
    - Possible action on adding a new Board Member
10. Principal’s Report – to include
- A report on the Parent Bienvenida Breakfast
  - Report on the recruitment of families/students
11. Old Business
- Possible action on Cravings Catering to revise contract for a full year vs. half a year per possible state requirements.
12. New Business
- Possible action on need to purchase Playground equipment, appoint some people to oversee this, preferably parents, or at least parent involvement.
13. Agenda items for Next Meeting
14. Date of the Next Governance Board Meeting - **September 26, 2019, at our Temporary location at La Academia Dolores Huerta, Portable Office Unit**
15. Adjournment – Vote to adjourn by roll call voice vote.\*

Procedures for Public Input - (based on the Raíces Public Input Policy in compliance with the NMSA 1978, 22-5-4 and NMSA 1978, 10-:15-1.)

- Those who want to give public input should arrive shortly before the meeting begins to sign up to speak.

- The Governance Board Chair will determine how much time speakers will have depending on how many people sign up to speak and the time allocated for public input, normally 3 minutes per individual or 5 minutes per group.
- Interpretation services will be available as needed in English and Spanish.\*
- Issues that arise based on public input may be discussed by the Board, but cannot be voted on during the meeting if the topic/item that does not appear on the agenda posted 72 hours ahead of the Board Meeting and which is approved by the Board preceding the public input period. It can be requested as an agenda item for a future meeting.

\*If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or listen to the meeting, please contact the Director of Operations and Community Engagement, Lucia V. Carmona, at [luciavcarmona@gmail.com](mailto:luciavcarmona@gmail.com) or call (575-571-2177) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Go to the Raíces website ([www.raicesdelsaber.org](http://www.raicesdelsaber.org)) for the full public input policy.