



## **Raices del Saber Xinachtli Community School Meet and Greet Raices Board Members**

Tuesday, September 24, 2018

NMSU, College of Education

O'Donnell Hall, Ground Floor-Snack Math Room

6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

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

The meeting began at 6:25.

Lucia, Wanda, Jane, Octavio, Maria, Alma, Ray, Natasha

Reactions to the job description for board members:

- Octavio – on board and on target. The principal runs the school and makes the daily decisions for the school the board is the driver.
- Maria – feels like she can add to the board through accounting. Is good for recruiting parents. There is a lot of work and it will bring a lot of challenges. Willingness to help either by spreading the word so that people know about the school.
- Natasha – it is important to go to the daycares.
  - NM Pre-K has the transition program for kindergarten. The suggestion is made to recruit children by participating in a recruitment effort on site.
- Alma – having a diverse board is very important. Communication with the staff. Have an “open door” policy with staff and community.
- Emma – The board description looks good. The job of the board is to support. The community needs to be informed. Do more homework on the board? The brain research that supports bilingual education. The board is not running the school, the board is supporting the staff.
- Ray – the fiduciary component is sufficient.

Updates –

- Grant support from NISN
  - NISN has granted discretionary funding of \$80,000 to the school.
- The Vigil group is offering pro bono accounting support for implementation year –
  - flat rate of \$54k to maintain our accounting records in the first year
- Submit the application to meet the criteria of the CSD by February 28, 2018.
- Have access to the Federal grant for the starting up the school which will give us access to the federal funding to support the school added to the funding.
  - The board needs to be a board of finance by October 5<sup>th</sup>.
    - The new board members need to view the board training and pass the test.

- The board needs to establish an Executive board.

Special Item - Natasha – issues that a parent would have to deal with

- Transportation
- What kind of requirements are needed? Physicals, etc.
- Application forms
- Will, there be more contact with NM 4 pre-K throughout the county
- If a parent wants to be on the board what are the requirements
- What is the daily schedule?
- Will there be a syllabus or calendar?
- Basic communication methods with the teachers?
- Will there be meals provided?

Board meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.