**January**

**El Colegio Board Minutes**

**1/12/2016**

**Present:** Norma Garces, Michael Dueñes,Mary Fran Warner,Kristine Snyder, Thomas Ramirez, Heather Rawson, and Josey Landrieu

**Present by phone**: Jennifer Godinez

**Not present:** Marisol Duran, Alejandro Maya, and Ann Zukowski

**Guests:** Pillsbury United Communities

**Started**: 5:35 pm

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| **Topic** | **Discussion** | **Votes** |
| **Approval of Minutes.** | * Thomas Ramirez and Alejandro Maya were present at the Dec. 8 meeting. * Need to approve minutes from November, December 8 and December 15, 2015 | **Josey Landrieu moves to approve all pending minutes with corrections.**   * **Kristine Snyder seconds** * **Motion carries** |
| **Financial Update** | * The Finance Committee will meet Wednesday January 13. Their report is tabled until next meeting. * Finance committee approved $75 thousand line of credit through the Non-profits Assistance Fund. | **Thomas Ramirez moves to approve the line of credit.**   * **Mary Fran Warner seconds** * **Motion carries** |
| **Authorizer Updates** | * Pillsbury United Communities presented who they are and what they do. * Provided supplemental documentation explaining who they are and how they operate. * This initial MAPEs score was under the level acceptable for PUC to accept new transfer schools. * PUC received a high enough score as their final score New Year’s Eve. * PUC promises to ensure autonomy between MDE and El Colegio along with autonomy between PUC and El Colegio. * PUC is local and offers peer support for Executive Director. * PUC received good recommendations from other charter schools. * They have 5 people on staff who have all worked in the Authorizing field. | **Thomas Ramirez moves to reconsider the motion to move forward with the Guild as Authorizer.**   * **Michael**  **Dueñes seconds** * **Motion carries**   **Jennifer Godinez moves to reconsider the last vote.**   * **Michael**  **Dueñes seconds** * **Motion carries**   **Kristine Snyder moves to continue relationship with PUC as the new authorizer.**   * **Thomas Ramirez seconds** * **Motion carries** |
| **Reminders** | * Mira Mi Corazon is Feb. 5. Please come support El Colegio and U of M Chicano studies. |  |

**Meeting Adjourned: 6:24 pm FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

**February 16th, 2016**

**March 15th, 2016**

**April 19, 2016**