

CVLA Advisory Board meeting
Tuesday, February 27, 2024
Agenda and Notes

Participating: Axel Romero, Anna Hadingham, Eli Velazquez, Meg Maccini, Yasser Aponte (Northeastern University), Cris Guevara, Audrey Aka

1. **Who is in the Room?** Yasser Aponte from Northeastern air quality project attended the Advisory board meeting to find out about the school and to inform the school and students of the air quality education project going on through Northeastern University.
2. **Review of the Notes from last meeting 12/18/24** [HERE](#)
3. **Discussion of the 2025 Budget**
 - Budget cut for 2025- one position was cut from the proposed budget.
 - Meg is concerned about funding for field trips and student activities in 2025?
 - Discussion of fundraising for the school-for student field trips, which generated the following discussion from the Advisory Board:
 - We currently have the Junior Achievement- storefront program (the club can keep the profits of what is raised by the club)
 - April, May June- car wash at 77 Webster ave
 - Night where students have art and performances- pay for a ticket-spaghetti dinner...
 - At our next in person event, parent/teacher conferences and cupcakes and bake sale
 - Raffles and fundraisers and donation stand (fall hay ride) but a ticket or multiple (bikes, school supplies, gift cards)
 - End of the year carnival event- games that would cost and enter the carnival
 - Action step: check with central office about fundraisers and how to have them
4. **Demographics Review** [Click HERE](#)

Note: Meg forwarded a request to Peter this week to ask if students could discuss and comment on the demographics esp female to male ratio

5. **School Health- Review of Student Fall 2023 Survey Panorama Data with Advisory Board ([CLICK HERE FOR DATA](#))**

- Continue conversation at next Advisory Board meeting
- Meg will copy the PDF and get it to board (see link above)
- Should we share these results with the students and discuss them? The Advisory Board thought YES maybe in advisory?

6. **Recent student activities**

-Launch of in person Fridays at La Colaborativa 1/12/24; 2/9/24 (so far) next in person Friday is 3/15

About 12-14 students each time

-Art class started with Iliana Vidal

- Art contest- Ms V



-College trips to Framingham State, BC, Regis College and upcoming trip to Western MA

-12th graders acceptances into colleges

-Partnership with La Colaborativa and Clarkson

-Soccer without Borders guest speaker on 2/12/24 in Advisory: Kiara Gutierrez- a number of CVLA students are interested in participating in the SWB camp over the summer

-Upcoming In person day at La Colaborativa, Friday, March 15

-upcoming in whole school person days Thurs March 21 and Friday March 22

Feedback on the meeting positives and negatives

- Cris thought meeting went well
- Anna- it was interesting to see the data points great to meet a new student! Looking forward to continuing to collaborate
- Audrey Happy to see an additional student- Yay Axel! Cris you are consistent! And amazing viewpoints and questions!
- Ms V Seeing Axel! Listening to Axel when we saw the data- and explaining the shift in growth of relationships- what can we do differently to have better relationships with students? How are our other students?

Next Advisory Board meeting is 3/26/24!!!!

Draft Agenda

- Continuation of Panorama- students and staff data review
- Student report
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Class of 2024 CVLA Senior Nicole R holds her acceptance letter to Curry College, the first of multiple college acceptances for her. In addition to taking college courses at Bunker Hill. Nicole has opened many doors of opportunity while at CVLA. Through her participation in Junior Achievement (JA) and the CGI the IT Girl Challenge team Nicole earned a coveted paid summer internship with CGI, an international business and technology company in Burlington, MA. During the summer of 2023, Nicole also participated in the Women's STEM Week international Flight camp that JA sponsors in Pensacola, Florida. Nicole plans to major in psychology and minor in theater.