

PONTIAC ACADEMY for EXCELLENCE
School Board Meeting
196 Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Pontiac, MI. 48342
October 17, 2017
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order – B. Anderson called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call – M. Richardson

Present: B. Anderson, M. Richardson, P. Karsten, L. Trafton,
S. Spears-Boothe and G. Graham

Absent: T. Layman, A. Patrick and P. Carroll

We have a quorum

Approval of Minutes for the September 19, 2017– School Board Meeting
17-10964 - B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the board minutes
as submitted. S. Spears-Boothe motioned to approve.
L. Trafton seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

(A) Non-Action Items

- Correspondence and Communication (Student: Jordan Manning)
- Pledge of Allegiance

1) Superintendent/CAO Report

Dr. Daniel reported on the following:

- Count Day 842
- Parent Comments
- District Calendar
- Fall Harvest
- Curriculum Night
- Fall Sports
- Budget
- Health Center
- Professional Development
- Security
- Student Enrollment
- Transportation
- Upward Bound Program

Discussion Followed

2) Middle & High School Principal Report

Mrs. Woods-Helms reported on the following:

- Count Day
- Dress down
- Dance
- Bloomfield Optimist Club
- PBIS

No Discussion Followed

- 3) Elementary School Principal Report
Dr. Jones reported on the following:
- Enrollment = 436
 - Successful Count Day
 - Hispanic Celebration
 - Monthly Parent Coffees
 - Harvest Fest
 - PBIS/Field Trip

No Discussion Followed

- 4) Special Services Report
Mr. Mark Francis reported on the following:
- Count Day
 - IEP's
 - Training for Staff
 - Oakland Schools
 - Graduation Rates
 - Ms. Chapman has a loss in her family

Discussion Followed

- 5) Parent Involvement Report
Ms. Bermudez did not report:

New Business

- Ms. Graham gave a presentation for Upward Bound
- No Financials this month.
- Amended the School Improvement Plans ("SIPs").
- No Administrative Oath of Office for Al Patrick (absent).

Public Comment

- **Ms. Dristy (Parent)** – parent problems, science department, Harvest Fest and she will be sending letter to SVSU.
- **Mrs. Burrow (Parent)** – parents being able to visit classrooms and volunteering here at PAE.
- **Ms. Sharp (Parent)** – main concern is her children and considers Ms. Dristy a great resource for the parents.
- **Mrs. Nix (Parent)** – she is a community member; what is up with music, sports and band? heard that middle school children are standing during lunch; middle and high schools students attending same dance; school lunches are horrible says her daughter; are we attending the Optimist Club this year? the morale of the staff is down and why has Ms. Dristy been fired from PAE?
- **Ms. Holstein (WSU C2Pipeline)** – work with the 9th- 12th graders afterschool; there is a misconception about afterschool programs; she has 34 students enrolled in the program.

Board Member Comments

- **Anderson:** Will Special Education give us an overview next month?
- **Anderson:** When will we have final numbers for count day?
- **Anderson:** Condolences to Ms. Chapman in the loss of her son.
- **Anderson:** There is a Pre-Finance meeting on November 14th @ 2:30 p.m.
- **Anderson:** Please give the board a revised copy of the SIPs.
- **Graham:** Khan Academy.
- **Graham:** Discussed Upward Bound during a presentation.
- **Karsten:** what is the status of the restrooms?
- **Karsten:** We had an audit without compliance issues.
- **Karsten:** There will be a revised budget in November; there is still a deficit.
- **Karsten:** Spoke about cost controls.
- **Richardson:** What kind of vacancies do we have?

GPS Presentation/Dr. Swiecki

- Instruction Learning Cycle (ILC)
- Project Report
- Weekly Notes
- New Addition: Megan Brown

GPS Presentation/Ms. Caldwell

- RTI Tier 2 & 3 Students
- MTSS' Focuses on all students
- Cultural/Climate
- Parent Involvement
- Curriculum Assessment
- Individualized Instruction
- Data Meetings
- Additional Reading for Students
- Lady Titan Basketball Game
- Algebra National

(B) Action Items

17-10965 – B. Anderson recommended receipt and acceptance of new hires report from CSSM. L. Trafton motioned.
M. Richardson seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

17-10966 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the amended School Improvement Plans for High School.
S. Spears-Boothe motioned.
P. Karsten seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

17-10967 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the amended School Improvement Plans for Middle School.
G. Graham motioned.
M. Richardson seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

17-10968 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the amended School Improvement Plans for Elementary School.
S. Spears-Boothe motioned.
P. Karsten seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

17-10969 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the Resolution for the Audit Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017.
P. Karsten motioned.
S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

Adjournment

17-10970 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. P. Karsten motioned.
L. Trafton seconded Ayes 6 Nays 0 Approved

Ayes 6
Nays 0
Approved

Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.



Mary Richardson, Secretary



Date