

PONTIAC ACADEMY for EXCELLENCE
School Board Meeting
196 Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Pontiac, MI. 48342
September 19, 2017
5:00 p.m.

Call to Order – B. Anderson called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Roll Call – M. Richardson

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

Absent: A. Patrick and P. Carroll

We have a quorum

Approval of Minutes for the August 15, 2017– School Board Meeting

17-09959 - B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the board minutes as submitted. T. Layman motioned to approve.
S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 7 Nays 0 Approved

(A) Non-Action Items

- Correspondence and Communication (MHSAA Letter was read)
- Pledge of Allegiance

1) Superintendent/CAO Report

Ms. Pamela Williams reported on the following:

- Discipline Flowchart
- Facilities Update
- Restroom Update
- Health Clinic Update
- NWEA
- MTSS
- SAT
- M-Step
- Afterschool Program
- Parent Orientation
- Open House
- Summary of SIPs

Discussion Followed

2) Middle & High School Principal Report

Mrs. Woods-Helms reported on the following:

- Safe & Orderly Environment
- FAFSA
- WSU C2-Pipeline
- Winning Futures
- Huntington Bank & Jr. Achievement
- Senior Advisors
- Town Hall Meeting
- Culture & Climate

No Discussion Followed

3) Elementary School Principal Report
Dr. Jones reported on the following:

- Breakfast in Classrooms
- Reinstated the Pledge of Legion
- Champion Drill
- NWEA Testing by Ms. Williams
- Facility Meetings
- Parent Meeting
- Hispanic Heritage Month

No Discussion Followed

4) Special Services Report
Ms. Chapman reported on the following:

- 110 Students this year
- 113 Students last year
- Medicaid Update
- Seclusion & Restraint Training
- IEP Meeting
- New Staff
- Interviewing
- No IEP's out of compliance

Discussion Followed

5) Parent Involvement Report
Ms. Bermudez reported on the following:

- Bilingual Program
- Alumni Meeting
- Parent Workshop/Coffees
- Homelessness Awareness

No Discussion Followed

New Business

- No Financials this month.
- Did not vote on School Improvement Plans ("SIPs").
- School Improvement Plans will be tabled until next board meeting.
- No Administrative Oath of Office for Al Patrick (absent).

Public Comment

- **Ms. Dristy** – issues with the bathrooms, being banned from PAE and the need for a HS Science Teacher.
- **John Ross Dristy** – Spoke about the need for a science teacher, treatment of a former employee's daughter and senior dues for the 2016-17 school year.
- **John Marble** – Would like to speak with someone about High School Girls Volleyball.

Board Member Comments

- **Anderson:** Dr. Daniel will be out for the next couple of board meetings due to a prior commitment.
- **Anderson:** we are considering naming the board room after one of our founding board members, Mrs. Lillian Molitz.
- **Anderson:** SVSU has granted PAE another 3-5 year extension. This is great news!
- **Anderson:** the board members need more time to look over the SIP's. Table for October's agenda.
- **Anderson:** introduced Doug Newcombe to the board; he is a representative sent by SVSU.
- **Anderson:** Ms. Dristy can speak with the superintendent about her issues.
- **Anderson:** Mrs. Mason to schedule a NWEA meeting with GPS and P. Williams.
- **Anderson:** please revise the OIHN letter for PAE.

- **Graham:** how is our merit pay compared to other industries?
- **Graham:** what kind of checklist do we have for MTSS and the students?
- **Graham:** have we consulted a professional consultant regarding our merit pay?
- **Karsten:** where are we with vacancies?
- **Karsten:** the third page of the SIPs is not complete.
- **Richardson:** would like the summarized document for the financials from Saripalli.

GPS Presentation/Dr. Swiecki

- Instruction Learning Cycle (ILC)
- Knowledge Transfer Plan
- MTSS Framework
- GPS Shout out
- ISD – All Female Team

GPS Presentation/Ms. Caldwell

- Boots on the ground
- Worked with Ms. Williams on schedules
- NWEA Testing- Shout out to Ms. Williams
- Academic Plans

GPS Slide Presentation/Ms. Caldwell

- Tier 1&2 and 3&4
- Intervention Support
- Data Driven Decision Making
- Collecting Benchmark Data
- Targeted & Focused Instruction
- Intentional Instruction Practices
- Intensive Interventions
- SPED Support
- Progress Monitoring
- Instructional Support Team
- MTSS Goal Implement w/Fidelity

(B) Action Items

17-09960 – B. Anderson recommended receipt and acceptance of new hires report from CSSM. L. Trafton motioned.

M. Richardson seconded Ayes 7 Nays 0 Approved

17-09961 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the Resolution for Designating authorized signature(s) for various accounts.

P. Karsten motioned.

T. Layman seconded Ayes 7 Nays 0 Approved

17-09962 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to approve the Master Resolution and Treasury Management Services.

T. Layman motioned.

L. Trafton seconded Ayes 7 Nays 0 Approved

Adjournment

17-09963 – B. Anderson recommended a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. P. Karsten motioned.

S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 7 Nays 0 Approved

Ayes 7

Nays 0

Approved

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Mary B. Richardson
Mary Richardson, Secretary

10/23/2017
Date