

Board Meeting Minutes

Organization: Pride Academy Charter School Board Meeting
President: Mr. Mitchell
Time: 6:14pm
Place: 117 Elmwood Avenue, East Orange, NJ 07018
Date: January 16, 2019
Minute Taker: Mrs. Jodi Wilson
Board Members Present: Mr Mitchell, Mrs. Spence, Mrs. Taylor
Others Present: Mrs. Thomas, Mr. Ray, Ms. Dumenigo
Absent: Mrs. Bagce, Mr. Moore, Dr. Morgan- Black
***Please note that Mrs. Bagce arrived at 6:26pm**

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 27, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:14pm and Roll Call was taken. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLICATIONS BY MS. DUMENIGO

(Newark Star Ledger, Orange Transcript, East Orange Record and Newark Leader)

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE BOARD MEETING

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Mrs. Taylor – in favor

Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the agenda for the January 16, 2019 Board meeting.

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE November 5, 2018 BOARD MEETING

***One addition was made to include the start of the meeting at 6:12pm**

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Mrs. Taylor – in favor

Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 Board meeting.

*** FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT by Business Administrator – Mr. Ray**

- Mr. Ray reviewed summative reports.

F1- BOARD TREASURER'S COMMENTS REPORT FOR September and October 2018

F2- RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CASH RECEIPT SCHEDULE FOR September and October 2018

- Mr. Ray reviewed the items on list.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Mrs. Taylor – in favor

Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept cash receipt schedule for September and October, 2018.

F3- RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PAYROLL EXPENSE FOR THE MONTH OF November and December 2018 and BILLS LIST FOR THE MONTH OF December 2018 and January 2019

- Mr. Ray reviewed the items on list.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Mrs. Taylor – in favor

Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept the Payroll expense for the month of November and December, 2018 and the Bills List for the month of December 2018 and January 2019

F4 - RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT & APPROVE THE BOARD TREASURER'S REPORT FOR September and October 2018

- Mr. Ray reviewed the items on list.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept and approve the Board Treasurer's Report for September and October 2018

F5 - RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT & APPROVE THE BOARD SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR September and October 2018

- Mr. Ray reviewed the items on list.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept and approve the Board Secretary's Report for September and October 2018

F6 - FICA REIMBURSEMENT REPORT FOR November and December 2018

* Mr. Ray reviewed the items on list.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept the FICA Reimbursement Report for November and December 2018

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

Kwanzaa Celebration:

-Hosted in the Great Room and it was the first time we were able to use the new stage
-Ms. Dumenigo thanked Mr. Ray for helping us to facilitate the ordering of the stage. It is easy to put together and also we can assemble it in various sizes

Philanthropy Day:

-Many more parents were involved this year
-Each grade level was involved in a special community service project- movie treat bag, wrapping gifts, gift bags for the homeless, etc.
-There was an address from the Councilman for East Orange
-Partnered with Billionaires Barber Shop in East Orange. The gentleman was able to work in the barber shop and then purchase the barber shop. They are now a non-profit

organization and very excited to partner with us and support our efforts to give back to the community

Award:

- School was presented with an award from a local church
- \$1500 award to go towards the playground reconstruction

SPED-PAG Meeting

- Facilitated similarly to other meeting groups and we discussed how families can improve their health and make better choices. Also, how food choices can impact behaviors and learning
- parents were invited personally
- able to survey parents for possible meeting topics in the future

Scholastic Book Fair:

- currently in session and will continue through Progress Report Night 1/17

PD:

- On the recent data dive day we examined an array of data- PARCC, interim, iReady, Tenmarks, etc. and teachers were able to tier scholars
- in ELA we looked at ways teachers can engage in the co-planning process
- A presenter from the state came to present on the topic of dyslexia (state mandated). Many of the interventions shared are already things we are doing which re-affirmed our practices
- A teacher attended an off site workshop and is excited to present the information that was shared

Grant in the Process:

- a possible grant for state funds that are being reallocated and we chose the focus to be STEM related

Schedule:

- the amendment to shorten our day was approved
- schedule was shared with the faculty and the Leadership Team will be meeting to examine and solidify the schedule. Faculty will also be invited to support the framing of the schedule efforts.

Teacher Resignation:

- The current teacher resigned and Mrs. Marash will take over until a replacement is found

Lottery:

- The lottery for incoming 5th graders and wait lists for the other grades

RESOLUTIONS

R1: Resolution to approve the hiring of Mr. Khuyen Nguyen as a temporary replacement for Mrs. Brown due to disability leave. His term will be from April 12, 2019 through June 19, 2019 at the rate of \$200/day

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor
Mrs Bagce- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the hiring of Mr. Khuyen Nguyen as a temporary replacement for Mrs. Brown due to disability leave. His term will be from April 12, 2019 through June 19, 2019 at the rate of \$200/day

R2. Resolution to approve the submission of a discretionary grant for the Reallocated, Title I, Part A Funding

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor
Mrs Bagce- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To approve the submission of a discretionary grant for the Reallocated, Title I, Part A Funding

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

→ None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

→ NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion to approve: Mrs. Taylor

Seconded: Mrs. Spence

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Mrs. Taylor – in favor
Mrs. Spence- in favor
Mrs Bagce- in favor

Motion Carried

Meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm