Pride Academy Charter School - Board Meeting Minutes

Organization:

Pride Academy Charter School Board Meeting

President:

Mr. Mitchell

Time:

6:00pm

Place:

Virtual Platform

Date:

February 21, 2024

Minute Taker:

Dr. Jones

Board Members Present:

Mr. Mitchell, Ms. Brown, Mrs. Spence, Ms. A. Taylor, Mrs. D.

Taylor. Mr. Moore

Others Present:

Ms. Dumenigo, Dr. Jones, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Wilson

Mr. Rosado

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Next Board Meeting: March 20, 2024 at 6pm

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm and Roll Call was taken.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLICATIONS: The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the right of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interests is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this act, The Pride Academy Charter School Board of Trustees has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Star Ledger and on NJ.COM under Legal Notices and posted on the school website.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FOR THE BOARD MEETING:

Motion to approve: Mrs. Spence

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. D. Taylor- in favor

Mrs. Spence- in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Mr. Moore- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To accept agenda for February 21, 2024, Regular Meeting-Attachment 1

Financial Committee Report by Business Administrator: The FY23 audit was completed with financial reports containing growth in fund balances and positive management discussion and no findings. The auditor was invited to share the outcomes at our board meeting and will attend next month's meeting.

RESOLUTIONS F1- F10:

- F1. Resolution to Accept the Bills List for the current month: January 17, 2024 February 20, 2024 Attachment F1
- F2. Resolution to Accept Payroll Expense for the current payroll period ending January 31, 2024 and February 15, 2024 Attachment F2
- F3. Resolution to Accept the FICA Reimbursement Report through February 15, 2024 Attachment F3
- F4. Board Secretary's Report & Certification Attachment F4
 Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c)3, I certify that as of January 31, 2024, that no major budgetary line-item account expenditure exceeds the amount appropriated by the district Board of Education and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Charlene Jones, SBA

February 21, 2024

F5. Resolution to Approve Budget Transfer(s) for 2023-2024 school year, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-8.1 and N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-13.1 listed budget transfers are needed to reclass expenditures from original budget approved by the board. The amount and account information is provided in detail in the attachment. - Attachment F5

F6. Audit to Approve the 2022-2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Auditor's Management Report (AMR) and AUDSUM submission to NJDOE – Attachment F6

F7. Resolution to Approve the revised 2023-2024 Budgets that include the 108-Line Budget Summary, Budget Narrative and Cash Flow schedule by February 15, 2024, based on the final October 15, 2023 enrollment and corresponding revenues, to the NJDOE Office of Charter Schools – Attachment F7

F8. Resolution to Approve Drawdowns #1for ESEA Title IV, and ESSER III Mental Health Support for \$9,459 and \$45,000, respectively for expenditures incurred through February 15, 2024 - Attachment F8

F9. Resolution to Approve Drawdowns #2 for IDEA-B, ESEA Title IA, and ARP ESSER III for \$16,740, \$48,860, \$8,800, respectively for expenditures incurred through February 15, 2024 - Attachment F9

F10. Resolution to Approve submission of the SEMI-Waiver to waive participation in the program as the student projection is 40 or fewer [Medicaid-eligible special education students] for the 2024-2025 school year – Attachment F10

BOARD VOTED: To approve resolutions F1-F10

Facilities Report by Dr. Jones:

Dr. Jones provided an update regarding building maintenance and repairs.

Principal's Report:

Mrs. Thomas provided an update regarding the educational programs and upcoming events along with Ms. Dumenigo.

R1. Resolution to Approve the Arts Education "Keep Marching" Field Trip for 8th Grade students on Friday, February 23, 2024, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark, NJ, 9:30am – 11:15am – Attachment R1

Motion to approve: Mrs. Spence

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor Ms. D. Taylor- in favor Mrs. Spence- in favor Ms. A. Taylor- in favor Mr. Moore- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Approve the Arts Education "Keep Marching" Field Trip for 8th Grade students on Friday, February 23, 2024, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Newark, NJ, 9:30am – 11:15am

NEW BUSINESS:

• Mr. Isaiah Rosado was presented for Board membership and voted in as a new board member

B1. Resolution to Approve Mr. Rosado as a Trustee for Pride Academy Charter School – Attachment (resume)

Motion to approve: Mrs. Spence

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor Ms. D. Taylor- in favor Mrs. Spence- in favor Ms. A. Taylor- in favor Mr. Moore- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: To Approve Mr. Rosado as a Trustee for Pride Academy Charter School

- Mr. Isaiah Rosado was presented for Board membership and voted in as a new board member
- Upcoming Events provided by Ms. Dumenigo

 Policies – Instructional & Support Personnel policies #4131 – 4231.1 were reviewed and discussed. A question regarding the difference between 4131 and 4231 was made by Mr. Mitchell.

<u>OLD BUSINESS:</u> Several Board members are continuing the virtual mandated training. The Strategic plan date is scheduled for Saturday, April 13th at 9:00am and will be held in person at Pride. It is time to complete the financial disclosure which will be due next month. Dr. Jones will send out separate emails.

There were no Comments from the Public.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm

Motion to approve: Mrs. Spence

Seconded: Ms. A. Taylor

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor Ms. D. Taylor- in favor Mrs. Spence- in favor Ms. A. Taylor- in favor Mr. Moore- in favor **Motion Carried**

BOARD VOTED: Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Next Board meeting on Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 6pm