## Pride Academy Charter School - Board Meeting Minutes

Organization:

Pride Academy Charter School Board Meeting

**President:** 

Mr. Mitchell

Time:

6:07pm

Place:

Virtual Platform April 24, 2024

Date: Minute Taker:

Dr. Jones

**Board Members Present:** 

Mr. Mitchell, Ms. Brown, Mr. Moore, Mr. Rosado, Ms. A. Taylor

**Board Members Absent:** 

Mrs. Spence, Mrs. D. Taylor

Others Present:

Dr. Jones

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Next Board Meeting: May 15, 2024, at 6PM

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:07pm 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: Ms. Brown

Seconded: Mr. Rosado

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. Brown – in favor

Mr. Rosado – in favor

Mr. Moore - in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

**Motion Carried** 

BOARD VOTED: To accept agenda for April 24, 2024, Regular Meeting

## **APPROVAL OF THE BOARD MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 28, 2024:**

Motion to approve: Ms. Brown

Seconded: Mr. Rosado

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. Brown – in favor

Mr. Rosado – in favor

Mr. Moore - in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

**Motion Carried** 

## BOARD VOTED: To Approve the Minutes from the March 28, 2024, Regular Meeting

**Financial Committee Report by Business Administrator:** The FY25 budget presented by Dr. Jones showing distribution of 2024-2025 funding in summary and detail for general revenue and special revenue. Dr. Jones presented the budget narrative and cash flow requirements for state submission with a decrease in state aid from prior year with the same enrollment count.

#### **RESOLUTIONS F1- F8:**

- F1. Resolution to Accept the Bills List for All Funds and Student Activities for the current period: March 28, 2024 April 23, 2024
- F2. Resolution to Accept Payroll Expense for the current payroll period(s) ending April 15, 2024
- F3. Resolution to Accept the FICA Reimbursement Report through April 15, 2024
- F4. Board Secretary's Report & Certification

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10 (c)3, I certify that as of March 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

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- 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.
- F6. Resolution to Approve Rent Increase to \$47,000 as per the 2024-2025 school year budget effective July 1, 2024
- F7. Resolution to Approve the Fund 20 Grant drawdowns from IDEA (\$31,550), Title IA (\$13,366), and ESSER III (\$213,143) for expenditures through April 15, 2024
- F8. Resolution to Accept the new contract with BRi, replacing Pro-Flex, as our school's health reimbursement account (HRA) provider, with activated account
- F9. Resolution to Approve renewals of employee contracts for the 2024-2025 school year as provided

#### **BOARD VOTED:** To Approve Resolutions F1-F9

#### Facilities Report by Dr. Jones:

Dr. Jones provided an update regarding building maintenance and repairs. Decision to move forward with the lowest quote for the HVAC heating system conversion. The charter association grant for facilities will be used to fund this effort.

F10. Resolution to Approve the quote for the conversion of oil to gas heating systems for \$23,999 excluding the cost of permit(s).

Motion to approve: Ms. Brown

Seconded: Mr. Rosado

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. Brown – in favor

Mr. Rosado – in favor

Mr. Moore - in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

**Motion Carried** 

BOARD VOTED: To Approve the quote for the conversion of oil to gas heating systems for \$23,999 excluding the cost of permit(s)

#### Principal's Report:

None – The ESEA Parent Meeting is being held at this time.

#### **RESOLUTIONS R1 – R2:**

R1. Resolution to Approve the renewed Essex Regional Educational Services Commission contract(s) for Child Study Team (CST) services and Home Instruction, and fee schedule for the 2024-2025 school year – Attachment R1

R2. Resolution to Approve the annual Grade 8 Field Trip to Dorney Park on June 14, 2024

Motion to approve: Ms. Brown

Seconded: Mr. Rosado

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor

Ms. Brown – in favor

Mr. Rosado – in favor

Mr. Moore - in favor

Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

**Motion Carried** 

## **BOARD VOTED: To Approve Resolutions R1- R2**

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Ongoing virtual mandated training by several board members.
- The Strategic plan date update will be provided by Dr. Copeland and another session will be scheduled for goal setting and action steps.
- Completion of the annual financial disclosures are due April 30<sup>th</sup>.

# There were no Comments from the Public.

# Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm

Motion to adjourn: Mr. Rosado

Seconded: Ms. Brown

Vote:

Mr. Mitchell- in favor
Ms. Brown – in favor
Mr. Rosado – in favor
Ms. D. Taylor- in favor
Ms. A. Taylor- in favor

Motion Carried

BOARD VOTED: Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2024.