

## **Pioneer Preparatory School: A Challenge Foundation Academy**

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors**

**Wednesday, July 24, 2017**

**Meeting was held at** Pioneer Preparatory School  
6510 West Clarendon Avenue  
Phoenix AZ 8 5 0 3 3

**Board Members Present:** Travis Marderosian, James Diaz  
Cathy Pirrone, Elva Hooker

**Absent Members:** Shelley Baltodano

**Also Present** Jarret Sharp, School Director; Rogelio Ruiz, Potential Board Member; Lucero Hernandez; Matt Sandoval

Jim Diaz called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM after a quorum was established.

E. Hooker moved to adopt the agenda as posted.  
C. Pirrone seconded the motion to adopt the agenda.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT** Dr. J discussed the following topics:

- ***Started school year bumpy***
- ***Kimberly Montesoto leadership goals program from TCFA***
- ***Strategies for 2017-18***
  - Focus on ***Observation & Feedback, Data Driven Instruction, and Culture.***
  - Reciprocal training
  - Student & Parent Satisfaction Surveys
  - Normalization of Observation & Feedback Cycles
- Need to hire a Registrar, ADE training will be given for new hire.
- Pioneer will partner with Teach for America to share non-confidential data. TFA will share academic performance results to compare data with non-TFA teachers.
- Community Engagement
  - Onboarding of the new community outreach person began July 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Enrollment is at 605 which matches the Budget submitted to ADE. There is a waiting list of approximately 33 students. The building capacity is

650, however the enrollment is capped at 605 students.

- The Outward Mindset initiative will be rolled out at Pioneer next Monday (all day)
- The event will be attended by representatives from several schools. Pioneer is the first school in Arizona to adopt the Outward Mindset program.
- Meet the teacher night on August 3, from 4-6pm
- Board Members are welcome to come and walk around and introduce themselves with the families
- School starts on August 7, 2017
- My Math curriculum for the 2017-18 school year was purchased with a significant discount for a term of 6 years. The price is locked for the 6 year period and includes 2 days of training. Invoicing is expected July 11<sup>th</sup>.
- The 6<sup>th</sup> grade math component will be the Beyond Textbooks used by WSST. This will provide improved continuity and transition for students moving into the 7<sup>th</sup> grade at WSST. Western will provide training and support for the Pioneer 6<sup>th</sup> grade math teacher.
- Roof repairs appear to be watertight with no apparent leakage from recent storms
- Cathy Pirrone and Elva Hooker will be in the self committee
- Cathy and Elva will give Dr. J an evaluation in Mid-year
  - Final exterior repairs were delayed due to recent storms but will be completed before classes resume.
- Discussing of protocol regarding Public Comment during the Open Board Meetings, and the appropriate response of the Board to the public comments.
  - Survey mechanisms are in place to address concerns.
  - Legal training is available for the Board if interested.
  - Dr. J will see what training is available and provide more details.
- An Organizational Chart of Pioneer was presented and reviewed, showing all stakeholders the flow of communication.

### **Discussion of Board Leadership**

Board Chair Jim Diaz may need to take a temporary leave from the board, will be back by the end of the year. Board Vice-Chair Travis Marderosian will assume temporary duties of chairing the meetings.

### **T Marderosian moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:57pm**

E Hooker seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5 : 5 3pm\