

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

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

**Monday, October 30, 2017**

**Meeting was held at**            **Pioneer Preparatory School**  
   **6510 West Clarendon Avenue**  
   **Phoenix AZ 85033**

**Board Members Present:** Travis Marderosian, Shelley Baltodano,  
   Cathy Pirrone , Rogelio Ruiz, Elva Hooker

**Absent Members:** James Diaz (Board Chair)

#### **Also Present:**

Tisha Crisler, Bookkeeper; John Pirrone, Matt Sandoval,  
Jessica Murphy, Stephanie Meyers, Angelica Vidaurrazaga

T Marderosian called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM after a quorum was established.

C Pirrone moved to adopt the agenda as posted on the Website

R Ruiz seconded the motion to adopt the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

C Pirrone moved to adopt the minutes from September 25, 2017.

S Baltodano seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**Elva Hooker entered 5:05pm**

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Review the attached written Director's Report.

Focus on 3 key areas of observation & feedback /data driven instruction- observations currently taking place, Spring data reviewed with all grade levels.

Data wall is displayed.

Angelica Vidaurrazaga- Math & Reading interventions: Supporting students 30 minutes/day and additional students receive 20 minutes of specialized instruction.

Passed Audit of STEPS Program with 100%

COMPASS Learning: more students active in program, working with CFA for accurate usage statistics

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Please review attached Treasurer's Report and Vouchers List.  
Over budget with Chromebooks but will recover over time  
Facility maintenance and repairs reflected this month  
C Pirrone moved to approve the vouchers.  
R Ruiz seconded the motion.  
Motion carried unanimously.

### **Signature on Audit Documents**

Travis Marderosian, acting Board Chair signed documents

### **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Policy KG-1 Banking Personal Time**

Board discussed donating time to a specific individual versus general banking of time.  
Financial considerations discussed. Approval would go through HR to protect privacy of the individual requesting donated time. Policy approval tabled for revision and future discussion.

### **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Governing Board Policy Manual Adoption**

Policy will be prepared for Board review and adoption in December.

### **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Weapons on Campus**

Weapons procedures currently in place being considered for adoption as policy.  
Considerations combined with the Immigration Status procedures to protect scholars and family members.

### **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Immigration Status**

Immigration procedures currently in place are being presented for consideration as a Pioneer policy.

R Ruiz moved for Appendix C in Staff and Family Handbook to become PPS Policy

E Hooker seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Discussion of Spring 2017 AzMerit Student Performance Data**

AzMerit is one measure of student growth and progress: PPS improved 6%.

Program adjustments made, structure changes and collaboration taking place.

CKLA and My Math Curricula- standardized curriculum for improved stability across grade levels.

Utilizing CFA schools and proven structures to improve PPS approach to instruction

Letter Grade is another measure to gauge school progress. Many school letter grades were lower than anticipated due to state changes in grading. Statewide there are some school letter grades under review that could influence other grade reviews.

SpED earned bonus points-excellent program

PPS Reclassification- triple the state average!

### **Discussion of Pioneer Grading Structures**

Board discussion of changing letter grades (A-F) to a model more closely reflecting the state grading system. Board to openly discuss a change in the grading system for next year.

Resignation of Shelley Baltodano from the Board of Directors as a member and as Secretary of the Board.

**REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS**

November 16, 2017 Board Social

Next Board Meeting November 27, 2017

Director Evaluation Process and Evaluation Instrument Discussion and/or Adoption

Elect Board Secretary

C Pirrone moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 pm

E Hooker seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

**Next Board Meeting is scheduled for November 27, 2017 at 5:00PM**