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## Paramount Schools of Excellence

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday November 8, 2016 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

Board Room

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**Directors Present**

B. Eldridge, C. Park, H. Maurer, J. Hazzard, Jr., P. Blackard, T. Rude

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Ex Officio Members Present**

T. Reddicks

**Non Voting Members Present**

T. Reddicks

**Guests Present**

P. Purvis, S. Ping

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**I. Opening Items****A. Record Attendance and Guests**

**Board members present**

Tom Rude, James Hazzard, Heather Maurer, Chris Park, Brittany Eldridge, Peggy Blackard,

**Guests**

Tommy Reddicks, Kyle Beauchamp, Scott Frye, Barb Richardson, Chris Larson, Shawna Ping, Dre Knox, Adam Freeman, Hannah Okerson, Brian Dickey, with OEI. Hannah Okerson, Peggy Purvis, Tyler Dickey, Alan Parks.

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

T. Rude called a meeting of the board of directors of Paramount Schools of Excellence to order on Tuesday Nov 8, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes**

P. Blackard made a motion to approve minutes.

B. Eldridge seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

**D. New item**

J. Hazzard, Jr. made a motion to Approve vouchers.

B. Eldridge seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Brittany Eldridge would like to have the credit card statement included in the monthly report.

**II. Finance**

**A. New item**

**Tyler Dickey, Alan Parks from Blue & Co. LLC**

Auditors presented their findings from the school audit that was performed in October, 2016. A draft copy was given to all board members to review.

**Discussion**

- How would PSOE compare with other charter school?
  - PSOE is not different than any other charter school on the account side of business.
- The best way to move forward?
  - Monthly communication and monthly review of accounts. Internal controls and challenging procedures. Having a third party such as Bookkeeping Plus. Having the right people for the individual responsibilities and not having one or two people doing all the jobs.

**Action Items**

Tom, Tommy, Brittany and Shawna will go over the information and recommendations.

### **III. Governance**

#### **A. New item**

- Barb Richardson
  - We received a second grant of approximately \$4,900 from Indiana Farm Bureau to rebuild the chicken coop.
  - Indiana Organic Association would like to volunteer on the farm.
  - Approximately 50 guests attended the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Middle School wing.
  - Approximately 20 guests attended the Spirit and Place Home Festival on Saturday, November 5.
  - Nice to have the new multipurpose room for meetings and to host environmental groups.
- Chris Larson
  - Slow Food Indy acknowledged our practices on the farm and spoke at a presentation regarding cheese sales/production.
  - The modulars have been removed and now in the process of breaking up and removing the concrete pads.
  - The hoop house is being used to grow winter vegetables.
- Scott Frye
  - The professional development sessions have been well attended.
  - First round of Acuity and mClass data has been received and is looking very good..
- Kyle Beauchamp
  - Working with Mind Trust and working with Tommy on a weekly basis.
- Enrollment
  - Enrollment numbers are holding steady.
- Dre Knox
  - The transition to the new Middle School wing has gone smoothly. The students seem to be adjusting well to new procedures for recess and lunch.
  - The discipline team has been working and monitoring the students in the new recovery room.

### **IV. Other Business**

#### **A. New item**

There is no new business to report.

### **V. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

Tom Rude

- Since the start of the school year there have been many activities going on and would like to thank the staff in doing a remarkable job in getting it all done. Next project will be PSOE 2.
- Would like to have a retreat in January. Possible dates for a Friday morning retreat will be sent to board members .
- Next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, December 13, 2016.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
P. Purvis

**B. New item**