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Paramount Schools of Excellence

Minutes

March Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday March 13, 2018 at 5:30 PM

Location
3020 Nowland Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46201

Directors Present
A. Bekele, C. Park (remote), J. Amu (remote), J. Hazzard, Jr., M. Bishop, P. Blackard, T. Rude

Directors Absent
B. Eldridge

Ex Officio Members Present
T. Reddicks

Guests Present
Adam Freeman, B. Richardson, Christopher Larson, H. Okerson, J. Monk, Jasmine Burditt - Mayor's Office, Kyle Beauchamp, Mary Laflin, P. Purvis, Rhonda Grady, Scott Frye, Tiffany Palacios

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

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 Mar 13, 2018 at 5:40 PM.

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

No public comments.

III. Consent Agenda Review and Approval

A. Review and approval of minutes

T. Rude made a motion to approve minutes from the February Board Meeting on 02-13-18 February Board Meeting on 02-13-18.
P. Blackard seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Voucher approval

T. Rude made a motion to Approve vouchers.
P. Blackard seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. Approve December Minutes

T. Rude made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 12-12-17 Board Meeting on 12-12-17.
P. Blackard seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Finance

A. Financial report

See attached financial reports.

V. Operations Report

A. Operations Report

Tommy Reddicks

- Discussed the press release for school 3 in the Indianapolis Business Journal. The focus right now will be on school 2.
- Sarah and/or Kyle will be attending Community Heights neighborhood meetings. The meetings are the second Tuesday of the month.

- Received school ID and Corporation number for Community Heights. Sixty percent of the needed paperwork for Community Heights has been submitted to OEI.
- Currently working on 2018-2019 budget.

Peggy Purvis

- Community Heights has been added to PowerSchool and the 2018-2019 school year has been set up for Brookside and Community Heights.

Barb Richardson

- Currently working on the new website.
- Working on the Blue Ribbon application.
- As soon as the lease is signed for Community Heights, will start applying for additional funding.
- Working with Peggy Blackard on organizing a VIP tour for Community Heights for June 2018.

Chris Larson

- Paramount Brookside has been Invited to be in Cheese Wars with our Ricotta.
- Garden will be expanding by 18 additional beds.
- Brookside will become a part of the Farm Share program.

Tiffany Palacios

- Updated all job descriptions.
- Working on updating policy procedures.
- Developed a staff benefit guide which can be accessed electronically. The benefit guide will be available for the board to discuss at the April meeting.

Hannah Okerson

- Finance the purchase of Chrome Books to replace our current Mac Books. This will be a 1 to 1 computer for all tesiting grades. The state has mandated the testing for 2019 will be on computers, no longer pencil and paper.
- Looking in to the best way to manage our bank accounts for next year. Should we stay with one account or three separate accounts for Network, Brookside, and Community Heights.
- Included the new accounting policy for board review.

Kyle Beauchamp

- School 2 has hired 2 new teachers. Continue to interview for teaching candidates and for Office Manager.

- Over the next few months will activate a community engagement plan for Community Heights.

Scott Frye

- ISTEP part 1 just concluded. ISTEP scores will not be as good as last year and expecting a possible 15% drop.
- Peggy Purvis is coming over each Friday to work with enrollment.
- Parent/Teacher conferences went well with 90%+ parent attendance.
- ***Coffee Talk with Administrators*** had their first meeting with 57 parents attending. The subject for next month's meeting will be school safety.
- This will be the first year new hires will not come from outside the school. Staff hiring will be from within.

VI. New Business

A. Study abroad program.

Study Abroad program will be discussed in Executive Session. Executive Director will work on internal policy.

B. Application for PSOE 3 charter.

Charter 3 application will be discussed and voted on in Executive Session.
T. Rude made a motion to Application for 3rd charter school.
P. Blackard seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

C. School Resource Officer policy

School resource officer will be discussed at Executive Session.
T. Rude made a motion to Approve the School Resource Officer (SRO) policy submitted pending final review of outside council.
J. Hazzard, Jr. seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Review updated Accounting Policy draft

Accounting Policy will be reviewed and voted on at the April meeting.

E. Study Abroad Trip

T. Rude made a motion to Approve the Study Abroad Program for June 5 - June 13, 2018 to Ghana.
A. Bekele seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

F.

Letter of Intent for PSOE 3

P. Blackard made a motion to Approve the Letter of Intent (LOI) between the Boner Center and Englewood CDC for school 3.
M. Bishop seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VII. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

Jasmine Burditt, from the Mayor's office, reported Paramount continues to excel in the replication process.

B. Adjourn Meeting

T. Rude made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
P. Blackard seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
P. Blackard
Public session reconvened at 7:27pm to vote on the following items:

- Study Abroad Trip to Ghana on June 5 - June 13, 2018 for Mr. Thomas, Mr. Sawyers, and two PSOE students.
- School Resource Officer
- Application for PSOE 3.
- Letter of Intent between Boner Center and Englewood CDC for PSOE 3.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm