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Paramount Schools of Excellence

Minutes

July Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday July 10, 2018 at 5:30 PM

Location

3020 Nowland Avenue, Indianapolis, IN

Directors Present

A. Bekele, B. Eldridge, C. Park, J. Amu, J. Hazzard, Jr., M. Bishop

Directors Absent

None

Ex Officio Members Present

T. Reddicks

Non Voting Members Present

T. Reddicks

Guests Present

Adam Freeman, Adam Freeman, B. Richardson, Chris Larson, H. Okerson, Kyle Beauchamp, Monica Hingst, P. Purvis, Peggy Purvis, Precious Jones, Sarah Shaffer, Satchuel Cole, Tiffany Palacios

I. Opening Items

A.

Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Hazzard, Jr. called a meeting of the board of directors of Paramount Schools of Excellence to order on Tuesday Jul 10, 2018 at 5:45 PM.

II. Public Comments

A. Public Comments

No public comments

III. Consent Agenda Review and Approval

A. Review and approval of minutes

M. Bishop made a motion to approve minutes from the June Board Meeting on 06-12-18
June Board Meeting on 06-12-18.

B. Eldridge seconded the motion.

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

One abstain - Chris Park

B. Voucher approval

M. Bishop made a motion to approve vouchers.

B. Eldridge seconded the motion.

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

IV. Operations Report

A. Operations Report

Tommy Reddicks

- Presented keynote address to the Indiana State Nurses Organization.
- Hosted National School Health Alliance with presentation and tour of school.
- Going to New Orleans for National Root Cause Alliance.
- Five presentations were made at town hall meetings to Community Hospital staff.
- Awarded two \$50,000 grants.
- Enrollment is going well for both schools.

Tiffany Palacios

- Still implementing the HRIS. The system will go live August 1, 2018.
- Presenting orientations for all new hires.
- DCS has been sent background checks for out of state employees.

- The 2017 403b audit has begun.

Hannah Okerson

- The Federal Audit has begun with Blue and Company. They will present their final conclusions at the November 2018 board meeting.
- Ask the Board to consider approval for a checking account for Community Heights.

Precious Jones

- Introduced Precious as our new police chief for Paramount Schools of Excellence.
- Precious previously worked for the Indiana State Police.
- Paramount Schools has their name in the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy as a police department.
- Working on new Policy and Procedures and School Safety for the police department.
- Working with Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department and the Marion County Sheriff's Department to be able to communicate with them over the radios for back up if needed.

Jessica Monk

- Safety grant has been approved for each school.
- Working with Kyle, Scott, Sarah, and Mary with start of the year procedures.

Barb Richardson

- Paramount Schools has been awarded the Lewis Calder Foundation grant of \$100,000. This will go to Community Heights to assist with staff salaries.
- Quarterly newsletter has gone out.
- Community Heights ribbon cutting ceremony will be July 31st. Invitations have gone out and RSVP's have been received.
- Announcements have been placed on Facebook with the new parent meetings for Community Heights.
- A year-end summary is available for revenue and communication placement.

Chris Larson

- The first cohort of STEAM students was just completed.
- Student behavior has been better since student groups are smaller. Students have a more direct connection with staff leaders. There are two PSOE graduates working in the program this summer.
- There will be an additional 24 garden beds added.

Kyle Beaucham

- All construction has been completed. All board members are invited to visit the new school.
- Staff have been coming in to work independently with the Brookside administration.
- Pre-opening requirements with OEI is 95% complete.
- Continuing with interviewing potential staff members.
- Staying aggressive on student recruitment. Sarah has done an amazing job with student recruitment.
- A booth has been set up at Community Hospital for student enrollment of hospital staff/visitors.

Sarah Shaffer

- Helping with student recruitment at Community Hospital.
- Learning operations procedures.
- There will be two more family orientation meetings prior to the start of school.
- Curriculum is being delivered to classrooms and discussed with teachers.

Adam Freeman

- Throughout the summer, approximately 230 students have been on campus. This includes summer school, STEAM, and athletics.
- Staff have attended four Professional Development sessions throughout the summer prior to the start of school.
- School administration has been working with staff on personal goals and expectations for the 2018-2019 school year.

Peggy Purvis

- Working with both schools on enrollment and start of school procedures.
- State reporting will start in August after school starts.
- OEI reporting has begun for the new school year. All July items, for both schools, has been submitted.

V. New Business

A. Additional Bank Account Approval

B. Eldridge made a motion to add an additional bank account for Community Heights.

M. Bishop seconded the motion.

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

B. Amendment to Accounting Policies

B. Eldridge made a motion to Amendment to accounting policies.
M. Bishop seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Next Board Meeting

Ceremonial board meeting on July 24th for the installation of the new police chief.
August meeting on 14, 2018

B. Adjourn Meeting

J. Hazzard, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
M. Bishop 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. Purvis