

F.W. Parker Charter Essential School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Wednesday December 13, 2017 at 6:45 PM

Location

Room 27 at the Parker School

Trustees Present

C. Regan-Davi, G. Penna, J. Howard, J. LaPlatney, J. Saxe, K. Reeves, L. Warner, M. Turnbull, M. VanderWilden, S. Roach, T. Espinola, T. Sumner

Trustees Absent

C. Igoe, C. Stack-Haan, J. Bartsch

Guests Present

M. McKenna, N. Dudensing, S. McNamara

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Roach called a meeting of the board of trustees of F.W. Parker Charter Essential School to order on Wednesday Dec 13, 2017 at 6:47 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

T. Espinola made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 11-08-17 Board Meeting on 11-08-17.

J. LaPlatney seconded the motion.

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

II. Items for Discussion

A.

District Funding Case Study

T. Sumner spoke on the Third Decade Appeal and why we have to pay for the roof. Parker receives 22% less than traditional districts and Charter public schools must fund their own facilities. Board members discussed how confident they were in this claim. T. Sumner present a case study of Parker vs. a Model district. Model is nearby, similar size, and recently completed a capital renovation. Blended Total Per Pupil Funding Data supported these claims.

B. Previewing January Retreat

T. Sumner talked about the January annual retreat (extended meeting). Board members have the opportunity to talk with students to get student perspectives. Board members will then meet afterwards.

The retreat will take place on Wednesday, January 10th from 2-6:30pm.

C. Principal's Report

T. Sumner presented his Principal's Report. He discussed one facility issue with the roof that will be done during the holiday vacation. He also presented a few of the aggregate change orders. The finance committee did go through them in detail and the current total in change orders did not exceed \$40,000. He also spoke about snow removal from the roof.

The Art Show was a success and positive evening that raised some money for the Third Decade Fund.

D. Grants Administration Policy

M. McKenna presented her work on the Grants Administration Policy.

III. Committee Reports

A. Development Committee

J. Saxe presented on behalf of the Development Committee. The committee is working on presenting the Essence project to some potential donors.

The Third Decade Fund has reached \$300,000.

T. Sumner talked about some potential grants that are being written to support different aspects of Parker.

Priorities in Parker's Third Decade include:

Upgrade facilities, enhance technology and promote teacher innovation

B. Finance Committee

C. Diversity and Enrollment

L. Warner spoke briefly about a recruitment plan.

D. Governance Committee

The Governance committee talked about the groups bio, pictures and a group photo will be taking at the retreat in January.

C. Regan-Davi presented the Trustee lending library. She also talked about how the Governance Committee has been working on the board's responsibilities and expectations as both a group and individuals. Board members broke up into small groups and reviewed the jobs of the Entire Board of Trustees.

IV. Statutory Items

A. 2018-2019 School Calendar

The Board reviewed the School Calendar for 2018-2019.

V. Votes

A. 1st. Read 2018-2019 School Calendar

T. Espinola made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 School Calendar.

G. Penna seconded the motion.

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

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

M. VanderWilden made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

J. Howard 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 9:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Warner