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## Perea Elementary School

### Minutes

#### Perea Elementary School Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Thursday September 23, 2021 at 4:30 PM

**Location**

Perea Elementary School, 1250 Vollintine Ave., Memphis TN 38107; Exact Location: TBD  
Renicka Deener is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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Time: Sep 23, 2021 04:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Oct 28, 2021 04:30 PM

Nov 25, 2021 04:30 PM

Dec 23, 2021 04:30 PM

Jan 27, 2022 04:30 PM

Feb 24, 2022 04:30 PM

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### **Mission**

Perea Elementary School will prepare all students academically, socially, and emotionally for success by creating and maintaining a classroom and school environment that is student-centered, with high academic expectations and where all students feel welcomed, appreciated, and valued.

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### **Directors Present**

D. Moses, K. Nichols, M. Boyd (remote), R. Greene (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

M. Sturdivant

### **Ex Officio Members Present**

D. Ussery

### **Non Voting Members Present**

D. Ussery

### **Guests Present**

Dena Koren, Ed-Tech (remote), J. Casey, Latrice Fields, parent (remote), R. Deener

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## **I. Opening Items**

**A. Record Attendance**

**B. Call the Meeting to Order**

K. Nichols called a meeting of the board of directors of Perea Elementary School to order on Thursday Sep 23, 2021 at 4:39 PM.

**C. Approve Minutes**

M. Boyd made a motion to approve the minutes from Perea Elementary School Board Meeting on 08-26-21.

K. Nichols seconded the motion.

motion was made to accept minutes of August 26 with changes

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

**D. Special Concerns**

Guest Parent Ms. Latrice Fields shared concerns about her child not having a spot in the Preschool second year program. K. Nichols will follow up with her to help find her son a spot in another school.

**II. Development**

**A. ESSER3 D. Ussery**

The ESSER3 budget has been presented to Shelby County Schools. Perea is now waiting for response from the State.

**III. Education**

**A. Committee-----K. Nichols and D. Ussery**

Education committee meetings are back on schedule.

The Transcend Coach will be in town to meet with staff October 18-20.

Benchmark assessments will be shared at the next meeting.

A new "Parenting Together" class will start October 20 and run for 6 weeks.

Enrollment totals 263 and is broken down as follows: K-63, 1-71, 2-67, 3-62. There are 17 students on the wait list (15 for Kindergarten). PES is not able to open a 4th K class due to lack of staff.

**IV. Facility**

**A. PES-----D. Ussery**

PES is waiting for lease contract to be approved by SCS. Dr. Greene reported that the contract has been approved in committee and SCS Board will soon vote.

Believe Memphis moved out of the building August 20. Final rent payment has been made by Believe Memphis.

## V. Finance

### A. Financial Update-----D. Koren and D. Ussery

Update of financial status was shared with the Board.

ADM has been lowered from 305-275 affecting revenue. Lack of revenue has been balanced with lower staff expenses.

The budget does not include expected ESSER3 dollars.

Cash Balance projection is good.

Primary driver on expense side is computers and textbooks.

A major challenge is integrating shared services with Perea Preschool.

No questions were asked of Ed-Tech.

Justin Casey reported on the **janitorial contract** with Spirit Of Excellence. SOE references were checked prior to signing the agreement. SOE staff already onsite are making a positive difference in quality of work in the school. And, the contract is a positive one financially for PES.

## VI. Governance

### A. Growth-----M. Boyd

Given the growth of the schools and the need to expand capacity on the Board, additional names were presented for Board Membership consideration and vote. The Board will vote on all names at the October meeting.

Presented last month were **Jim Boyd**, former ED of Pyramid Peak Foundation and retired President of BRIDGES, and **Dr. Mia Obiwo**, U of M Professor in early childhood education.

Additional names are as follows:

**Dr, Rebecca Scott** – Head of School, UM Campus School

**Ann Langston** – Senior Director of Strategy and Operations at Church Health

**Bobby White** – Director of Public policy and Government Relations, Greater Memphis Chamber of Commerce

**Dr. Jamiah Stokes** – Dean of Student Success, Rhodes College

**Allison Cates** – CPA and Community Volunteer

**Darren L. Thomas** – Director of Development for Communities in Schools

## VII. Human Resources

### A. Vacancy-----J. Casey and D. Ussery

One Second Grade teacher spot has not been filled.

An Instructional Assistant (IA) for the 2nd grade has been hired and will start September 27.

A School Nurse is to be hired full time September 24.

Discussion followed about national difficulty in hiring teachers during Covid.

Two students are out with positive Covid tests, 9 students are in isolation.

A total of 122 people including 4 families have been tested on site since the beginning of the school year. In September thus far 84 have been tested.

## **VIII. Closing Items**

### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
M. Boyd

## **IX. Executive Session**

### **A. The Board Voted unanimously to adjourn to an executive session at 5:23 p.m.**

**Directors Present:** M. Boyd, D. Nichols, D. Moses

**Directors Absent:** M. Sturdivant, A. Greene