



Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School

December Board Meeting

Amended on December 8, 2018 at 4:44 PM EST

Date and Time

Tuesday December 11, 2018 at 6:00 PM EST

Location

PVPA, Laddenheim Library, 15 Mulligan Dr S. Hadley MA

Agenda

	Purpose	Presenter	Time
I. Opening Items			6:00 PM
A. Record Attendance and Guests			
B. Call the Meeting to Order			
C. Reading of the PVPA Mission Statement	Discuss		1 m
PVPA offers its students intensive exposure to the performing arts within the context of an excellent college preparatory curriculum.			
D. Public Comment	Discuss		10 m
E. Approve Minutes from Previous	Approve Minutes	Shubhada Rella-Brooks	10 m
Approve minutes for RESCHEDULED - Board of Trustees Meeting on November 20, 2018			
II. Governance			6:21 PM
A. Governance Report	Discuss	Donovan Arthen	15 m
III. Finance			6:36 PM
A. Treasurer Report	Discuss	Deborah Jacobson	15 m
IV. PVPA Leadership			6:51 PM
A. ED Report	FYI	Marc Kenen	15 m

B. ED Evaluation Next Steps	Vote	Melinda Winter	15 m
V. PVPA Staff Reps			7:21 PM
A. Staff Report Out to Board	FYI		10 m
VI. PVPA Student Reps			7:31 PM
A. Student Report Out to Board	FYI		15 m
VII. Infrastructure/Facilities Committee			7:46 PM
A. LTPR Report	Discuss	John Kulas	15 m
VIII. Community Outreach			8:01 PM
A. Alumni Spotlight - Sakina Ibrahim, Class of 2007	FYI		10 m
<p>Sakina was a featured presenter at the Massachusetts Conference for Women in Boston this week</p> <p>On her PVPA experience:</p> <p>"PVPA provided an Introduction to traditional African dance which I was able to draw upon when going to graduate school. I went to Ghana and did research on movement there. I knew what was happening because of taking dance at PVPA first. A lot of the ways I teach include cultural history. Many of those seeds were planted at PVPA, essentially I learned to see to world through the lens of dance (from Jodi Falk and Jen Polins and Catalyst). I don't know if I would have ended up going to college if it were not for Andrea Chakour (School Counselor Department Leader) taking me into her office and saying Okay girl, what are you going to do after you graduate? Because it wasn't a conversation I was having in my house, I am a first generation college graduate. A lot of very powerful seeds were planted at PVPA, building friendships and just feeling that there was a home to go to. Looking forward to returning. I am currently a Professor of Dance at Cal State Long Beach."</p> <p>Subsequent Higher Ed and Professional journey:</p> <p>"After high school I attended U of Arts in Philly for my BA. I was in a Hip Hop company in Philly. That was interrupted as I went to graduate school. This is where my love of writing and dance exploded. I wrote a book which got some national acclaim through the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) Image award. That really helped to open a lot of doors for me: to travel, to teach, to speak and use dance and the performing arts as a tool for youth empowerment.. specifically girls. A lot of the organizations that I have worked with focus on girls empowerment and self esteem development."</p>			
IX. Other Business			8:11 PM
A. Public Comment	Discuss		10 m
X. Union Negotiating Committee			8:21 PM
A. Executive Session to Discuss Union Bargaining	Vote	Melinda Winter	15 m
<p>Executive session pursuant to Chapter 30A, section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with respect to Units A and B if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body, and the chair so declares.</p>			

XI. Closing Items

8:36 PM

A. Adjourn Meeting

Vote