

# Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School

# **Minutes**

# October Board of Trustees Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday October 9, 2018 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

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

#### **Trustees Present**

Deborah Jacobson, Donovan Arthen, Gary Huggett, Jorge Rodriguez, Marcus McLaurin, Mindi Winter, Shubhada Rella-Brooks, Stephen Therrien

#### **Trustees Absent**

Keith Black, Sean Moore

#### Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened

Jorge Rodriguez, Stephen Therrien

# Trustees who left before the meeting adjourned

Deborah Jacobson

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

Marc Kenen, Marcy Conner

#### **Non Voting Members Present**

Marc Kenen, Marcy Conner

#### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

Mindi Winter called a meeting of the board of trustees of Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School to order on Tuesday Oct 9, 2018 at 6:00 PM.

#### C. Read Mission Statement

Read by Gary Huggett

#### D. Public Comments

#### E. Approve Minutes

Gary Huggett made a motion to approve minutes from the Annual Retreat on 08-21-18 Annual Retreat on 08-21-18.

Donovan Arthen seconded the motion.

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

Jorge Rodriguez arrived.

#### II. Finance

#### A. Report from Treasurer

# **B.** Auditor's Report

Deb reporting that the Auditor report is completed and that there are no findings in the Audit

Donovan - Moving to Accept the Auditor's report from the MP Group with a clear Audit.

# Discussion:

- Can not table the Audit acceptance because the report has to be submitted to DESE by Nov 1st
- · Audit is in Draft form now what is needed -
  - Letter needs to be sent to each Legal Entity that we use within the year and ask about future Litigation that is pending, those letters are outstanding.
- The Audit will be available when Finalized

New Motion: Accept the Auditors report from the MP Group with a clear Audit and for the Treasurer to sign the Accept the Audit.

Stephen Therrien arrived.

Donovan Arthen made a motion to To accept and move forward with the Audit, Clear Audit from the MP Group and direct the Treasurer to sign the Audit as soon as possible. Gary Huggett seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Shubhada Rella-Brooks Aye Keith Black Absent Sean Moore Absent Gary Huggett Aye Deborah Jacobson Aye Stephen Therrien Abstain Marcus McLaurin Aye Jorge Rodriguez Aye Mindi Winter Aye Donovan Arthen Aye

#### III. Governance

#### A. Election of Andrea Nathanson, David Potter, and Lori Leistyna

Donovan Arthen made a motion to To elect Andrea Nathanson, David Potter, and Lori Leistyna to the board, each to serve a 2 year term.

Deborah Jacobson seconded the motion.

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

#### **Roll Call**

Sean Moore Absent Jorge Rodriguez Aye Donovan Arthen Aye Stephen Therrien Aye Marcus McLaurin Abstain Deborah Jacobson Aye Mindi Winter Aye Shubhada Rella-Brooks Aye Gary Huggett Aye Keith Black Absent

#### B. Election of Clerk

Gary Huggett made a motion to Elect Shubuhada Rella-Brooks to a Term as Clerk. Deborah Jacobson seconded the motion.

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

# IV. Executive Director's Report

A.

# **ED Report**

Deborah Jacobson left.

Marc gave the highlights of his ED report.

# V. Community Outreach

#### A. Alumni Association updates

Encourage Board members to attend Alumni event in November.

# VI. Leadership Performance Evaluation

# A. ED Evaluation Update

Donovan and Melinda did the first round of the Performance Appraisal.

Next steps will be for the entire Board to evaluate ED then a smaller contingent of questions, to be used to send to entire Community.

# VII. 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 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Mindi Winter