



# Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School

## Minutes

### Governance Committee Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Tuesday February 25, 2025 at 6:30 PM

#### Location

Virtual only.

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#### Committee Members Present

Azizah Yasin (remote), Brent Nielsen (remote), EJ Lafleur (remote), Kiara Badillo (remote), LATRINA DENSON (remote), Vanessa Ford (remote)

#### Committee Members Absent

Grace Bannasch, Janice Pamphile

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

Azizah Yasin called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter Public School to order on Tuesday Feb 25, 2025 at 6:35 PM.

#### C. Approve Minutes

EJ Lafleur made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 02-02-25.

Kiara Badillo seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Vanessa Ford	Aye
Kiara Badillo	Aye
Janice Pamphile	Absent
Grace Bannasch	Absent
EJ Lafleur	Aye
Azizah Yasin	Aye

**D. Read Mission Statement**

Azizah read the PVPA Mission

**II. Governance**

**A. Discussion and Vote on New Board of Trustees Prospectives**

Azizah discussed that there are a number of individuals who have applied to become trustees. She shared the interview process for candidates for onboarding.

The committee discussed this onboarding process.

EJ stated the importance of having two governance members interview candidates to ensure transparency and to avoid any conflict.

Kiara stated the importance of an equitable, non-bias and structured process.

The committee discussed the process further.

Each candidate will be asked the same exact questions and be given the same amount of time.

The candidate interviews will take place in person at PVPA at the next governance committee on Tuesday, March 25th from 6-8pm.

**B. Continued review and revision of bylaws.**

Azizah shared that she proposed language to the full board based on her conversation with the attorney. She has not made any changes to the revised Bylaws since Feb 2nd but she wants to show everyone the language so if there is any discussion, we can discuss further, agree on as a committee then we can move it forward to the full board. Discussion took place of the revision re: board of trustees special meetings: Sections 3.4 and 4.4

Azizah shared modified language of the 2nd sentence of section 4.4 re: Identifying that the president or their designee to facilitate meetings. This is the language proposed by the attorney.

Kiara Badillo made a motion to approve proposed language of the By laws revisions of sections 3.3 and 4.4.

EJ Lafleur seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

Azizah Yasin	Aye
EJ Lafleur	Aye
Kiara Badillo	Aye
Janice Pamphile	Absent
Vanessa Ford	Aye
Grace Bannasch	Absent

**III. 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 7:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Azizah Yasin