

Piedmont Community Charter School

Board of Directors Meeting

January 17, 2023

7:00 p.m. in the PCCS High School Auditorium

Board Members present: Jennifer Barker, Kim Cabe, Wendi Greemon, Lisa Largent, Ciara Leisey, Sarah Nobles, Melia Mauldin, Alex Poole, Michael Satterfield, Deannie Starnes, and Paul Tharp. A quorum was present.

Others in attendance: Jennifer Killen, Head of Schools, members of the school administration; and members of the school community (parents).

Board President, A. Poole, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the PCCS mission statement.

Following the mission statement, A. Poole asked for a moment of silence.

There were no public comments scheduled.

Awards & Recognition: J. Killen recognized

- Piedmont's completed successful service projects at all three campuses for the winter season. The Elementary school collected over 4,000 non-perishable food donations for the *Salvation Army* as well as warm items for *Gateway Gaston*. The Middle School 5th grade sponsored a sock drive benefiting *The Least of These Carolinas*. The High School's National Honor Society filled Christmas boxes for *Samaritan's Purse* and the Bible Club students collected over 900 hats, socks, and gloves to benefit the *United Way* and *Cancer Services of Gaston County*.
- The Elementary campus won 3rd place in Belmont's Festival of Trees in the school category. Mrs. Greene's art students had their handcrafted ornaments on display in Stowe Park during the month of December.
- Mrs. Sheila Richards, Middle School Director, graduated from Leadership Gaston.
- The new furniture project at the Elementary campus is complete. It is a great improvement for the school's facilities.
- The NC Department of Public Instruction congratulated Piedmont on its academic performance for the 21-22 school year. PCCS students earned an outstanding graduation rate of 98.3% as well as an academic growth award.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

- A motion was made by P. Tharp to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2022, Board of Director's meeting. No further discussion was held. S. Nobles seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports:

- a. Treasurer/Finance Committee: Claire Wilson reported for S. McRaney:

- the updates and financial status of the Budget Report and Surplus & Cash Report for November and December 2022.
 - A review of the investments will be held this month with the investors.
- b. Head of School Report: J. Killen presented
- the Compliance Submission Report.
 - The Board Admissions and Enrollment Policy, Lottery Application, and Annual Charter School Audit were submitted to Epicenter- Office of Charter Schools on the due date of November 30, 2022.
 - Also, by the deadline of November 30, 2022, the Annual Report was submitted to EMMA. The report contained the Borrower’s Audited Financial Statements, a copy of each report of enrollment headcount, membership, attendance, waitlist, and any other similar reports as requested. (ii) a copy of the most recent report(s) on academic testing at the School; and (iii) a copy of the State’s most recent calculation of State Payments for the then current Fiscal Year. Section 8.23. Liquidity Covenant. The Borrower hereby covenants and agrees that it will maintain Days Cash on Hand equal to at least 45 as of June 30, 2019, and as of each June 30 thereafter.
 - the Enrollment Report and Withdrawal Spreadsheet. The budget is set for 1890. Currently, there are 1844 students (659 Elementary, 640 Middle School, 545 High School). There were 41 withdrawals since the last report in October 2022. The majority of withdrawals were early graduation from High School.
 - the January Personnel Report. There are three new hires: Theatre Arts K-4 at the Elementary Campus, Reading Remediation Teacher, and Receptionist at the Middle School. A motion was made by J. Barker to approve the personnel report as verbally presented. No further discussion was held. W. Greemon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - There will be a Parent meeting for prospective families next week; and
 - K. Cabe thanked the Board for the new furniture at the Elementary School.
- c. Enrichment Committee Report: L. Largent had no report but expressed her appreciation for the Elementary School furniture.
- d. Athletic Committee Report: A. Poole thanked J. Barker for her service as the Athletic chairperson for the past 2 years. He introduced P. Tharp as the new Chairperson. P. Tharp shared the scholar athlete report for the NCHSAA for PCCS fall and winter sports:
- The requirement for the Team Scholar Athlete Award is a minimum GPA average of 3.1 unweighted for all participants.
 - To qualify for an Individual Scholar Athlete Award, a student must have a minimum GPA of 3.5 weighted.
 - Every PCCS team for the fall and winter seasons qualified for the award except for the Boys and Girls Cross Country team which did not meet the team requirement for having at least 5 participants; however individually the Cross Country athletes qualified for the Individual Scholar Athlete Award.

- Team Scholars were:
 - Volleyball with an overall 3.77 GPA with 14/15 athletes
 - Girl's Basketball with an overall 3.729 GPA with 12/12 athletes
 - Girl's Tennis with an overall 3.667 GPA with 14/15 athletes
 - Boy's Soccer with an overall 3.639 GPA with 16/18 athletes
 - Girl's Golf with an overall 3.625 GPA with 5/6 athletes
 - Cheerleading with an overall 3.386 GPA with 11/16 athletes
 - Boy's Basketball with an overall 3.354 with 7/12 athletes

- e. Facilities Committee Report: M. Mauldin reported
 - The survey team came out in December to survey the MS parking lot. The design team will begin work soon to consider options due to the New Hope Road expansion project.

- f. Governance Committee Report: M. Satterfield reported
 - J. Barker has been working on the Employee Personnel Policy
 - The Committee will meet in late January or early February.

A. Poole announced the date of the next Board Meeting: February 21, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at the High School.

A. Poole adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Barker, PCCS Board Secretary