Piedmont Community Charter School

Board of Directors Meeting

October 21st, 2025

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

Board Members present: Michael Satterfield, LeBarbara Southern, Emily Rodgers, Melissa Gardner, Paul Tharp, Kim Richardson, Adrianne Dellovade, Jeremy Gordon and Wendi Greemon. A quorum was present.

Others in attendance: **Jennifer Killen, HOS**. School community members (administration, guests, and parents).

P. Tharp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the PCCS mission statement.

Following the mission statement, P. Tharp asked for a moment of silence.

There were no public comments scheduled.

Awards & Recognition: J. Killen announced

- We congratulate 2 of our high school art students who placed in Mt. Holly's Plein Air Painting contest through Arts on the Greenway – 12th grader Makenzie McKoy won 1st place overall for the 3rd year in a row, and 9th grader Landon Robinson won 2nd place. Both of our student artists their paintings as well!
- 11th grader Zuri Meeks auditioned and was accepted to the Young Artist in Residence Program with the Charlotte Master Chorale. Zuri will sing with the Chorale accompanied by the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra as they perform with the Belk Theatre in November. Congratulations Zuri!
- We're proud to announce the 7 HS Students who were selected for the 77th annual Mars Hill Choral Festival! Each year, more than 800 students audition for this festival across NC. Congratulations to: Addyson Brown, Kevin Marin Ayala, Noah Lowder, Rae Thomas, Molly Gaston, Zuri Meeks and Maggie Elliot
- The middle school had its most successful Color Run fundraiser yet over $16,000 raised in donations. Donations will help fund new classroom furniture. We appreciate our Patriot families for their generous support.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

- A motion was made by W. Greemon to approve the minutes of the September 16th, 2025 Board of Directors meeting. E. Rodgers seconded. No further discussion was held. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports:

a. Treasurer/Finance Committee: L. Southern shared the updates and financial status of the Budget Report and Surplus and Cash Report as of September 30th 2025.

b. J. Killen shared the Head of School Report which included

- Compliance Submission Report
  - The following items were submitted to the EpiCenter – office of Charter Schools for October
    - No Filing Requirements
  - The following items were submitted For DAC to EMMA for October
    - Schools Average Daily Membership
- The enrollment Report
  - As of 10/14/25, we had 1977 enrolled and reached full enrollment (693 at Elementary, 668 at Middle and 616 at High School). Over 1100 are on the waiting list.
- The personnel Report
  - In September we hired 2 Elementary Positions (1 Custodian and I Part Time TA) and 2 Middle School Positions (1 Facility Manager and 1 Custodian).
    - L. Southern made a motion to approve to the personnel report. W. Greemon seconded. No further discussion was held. The motion passed unanimously.
- NC College Connect
  - Presentation by Mrs. Huffstetler
- Calendar
  - October 25th – Strategic Planning from 8am to 12:00 pm

- November 18th – Board Meeting

c. Enrichment Committee Report:

   a. No report

d. Athletic Committee Report:

   a. Middle School

      i. The middle school volleyball team finished the season with a 15-1 record and was the number one seed going into the tournament, which started yesterday. The Lady Patriots defeated Matthews Charter 2-0 in Round 1 of the Tournament. They will host Union Prep. on Wednesday October 22nd, 2025 in the second round of the tournament at New Hope Baptist Church at 4:30 P.M. The winner will advance to the championship match on Thursday October 23rd, 2025 at the Higher Seeded Teams Facility

      ii. The Boys Soccer team finished third in the regular season behind Mountain Island and Jackson Day. They Hosted a First Round Match yesterday at Martha Rivers Parks and Recreation against Union Prep. and defeated Union Prep. by a score of 5-2. The Boys Soccer team will play the winner of Jackson Day and Gray Stone on Wednesday October 22nd , 2025 in the second round of the Tournament. If Gray Stone defeats Jackson Day , Piedmont will Host at Martha Rivers at 4:30 P.M. If Jackson Day Defeats Gray Stone , Piedmont will travel to Jackson Day for a 4:30 P.M. match at Frank Liske Park on Wednesday October 22nd, 2025

      iii. The Middle School Cross Country Team will compete in the Conference Cross Country Meet at Gray Stone Day on Thursday October 23rd, 2025. They have had two 3rd place finishes, a 4th place finish and a 5th place finish thus far in their team scores

   b. High School

      i. The high school fall sports season is nearing its end, with girls' tennis and volleyball concluding this past week. The girls' volleyball team wrapped up the season with a 17-6 overall record and advanced to the first round of the state playoffs, where they were defeated by West Lincoln in a hard-fought match on Saturday. Morgan Parker represented PCCS in regional tennis competition, winning her first match.

ii. Our men's soccer team currently holds a 13-2 record and will wrap up their regular season next Monday, which will also serve as Senior Night. State playoffs are scheduled to start November 3rd.

iii. This Saturday seven members of our Cross Country Team will travel to the Tryon International Equestrian Center to compete in the regional meet.

e. Facilities Committee Report –

   a. No report; however, Claire did give an update on the house, and we are on time to be in by the end of the Month.

f. Governance Committee Report: -

   a. We did meet - put the board on notice. There is a disciplinary policy called Exclusion and the school attorney is working on the policy for us to have that option. Once that is finished, we will review as a board.

   b. 1st read through of Wireless Communication Device policy

      i. Discussed Revisions

   c. 300 Series Policy – We are looking to shorten enrollment from 3 to 2 months. Law only requires 30 days so January to February is plenty of time.

P. Tharp announced the next Board meeting will be held on November 18th .

P. Tharp adjourned the meeting at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Rodgers, PCCS Board Secretary