

Advantage Academy of Pinellas, Inc.
Governing Board Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2016
Location-Pinellas Academy of Math and Science
1775 S. Highland Avenue
Media Center

Present at Meeting

Patricia Rogers, Chairman

Jeff Undestad, Board Member

Craig Dolan, Board Member

Linda Schwerer, Principal

Tara Glackin, Assistant Principal

Mike Ash, Board Liaison

Marty Steele, PTSO President

Mike Strader, Charter School Associates, Inc.

Opening Exercises

Meeting called to order at 5:10 pm by Ms. Rogers.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, meeting minutes from May 18, 2016 were discussed and approved. Mr. Undestad motioned to approve the minutes and Mr. Dolan seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed.

Ms. Rogers informed board members that Ms. Denise Delbusto had written to submit her resignation from the board because of a conflict with Wednesday evening meeting times. The Board indicated their sincere appreciation for Ms. Delbusto's service and wished her well.

Public Comment

Ms. Rogers asked if any person present would like to speak under the Public Comments section of the agenda. No members of the public requested to speak.

Principal's Report

Ms. Rogers asked Ms. Schwerer to present the principal's report. Ms. Schwerer talked about the many activities planned for the school year and especially those activities that were scheduled the first few weeks of school. Ms. Schwerer also commented on the involvement of the faculty and staff in the planning of the events and activities for the 2017-2018 school year.

Included in the activities was a 6th/7th Grade Parent Information Meeting regarding an overnight field study activity on Sept. 20, a schedule of Afterschool Club activities, and a 2016-2017 parent activity calendar.

Ms. Schwerer's report was well received by the board and they thanked her for the rich diversity of stimulating and fun activities that are planned at PAMS.

Ms. Schwerer reported that the school was fully staffed with a total of 41 teachers plus staff.

Information Items

Mr. Strader discussed the monthly financial report and reminded board members that any financial question may be directed to Ms. Jeannette Merced. Board Members receive a copy of the school's financial report monthly.

Mr. Strader reported on the discussions with the developer regarding the expansion of PAMS as part of Phase 3. The developer, Ms. Schwerer and Mr. Strader are scheduled to attend a meeting with members of the City of Largo planning staff to discuss the proposed project.

Mr. Strader distributed a copy of the FY 16 Financial Audit completed by the independent CPA firm of King & Walker. The audit contained no findings.

Mr. Strader discussed the budget development process and indicated the initial budget is developed using preliminary enrollment data. IF needed, a budget amendment will be prepared and presented to the board should enrollment vary from the initial projection.

Mr. Strader addressed back-up documents that were part of the board packet previously distributed to board members and indicated that it was a standard procedure to bring the annual (revised) Parent/Student Handbook and Employee Handbook before the board for approval.

Consent Agenda Items

Mr. Strader described the purpose of having standing items in the consent section including purchase orders and agreements since the prior board meeting and the approval of certification waivers (if any) since the prior meeting.

Ms. Rogers asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda items, one to six. Mr. Undestad motioned approval, Mr. Dolan seconded and the consent agenda passed unanimously.

Items Scheduled for Discussion and Action

1. Mr. Strader asked for approval of the FY 17 budget. Mr. Dolan motioned approval, Mr. Undestad seconded, motion passed.
2. Mr. Strader asked approval of a FY 17 budget. Mr. Undestad motioned approval, Mr. Dolan seconded, motion passed.

Board Member Reports

The board recommended changing the meeting time of future meetings to 5:00 p.m.

There were no further board member reports.

Adjournment

Ms. Rogers adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.

Patricia Rogers |
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