



**PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL
MINUTES
OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PROVIDENT CHARTER
SCHOOL WEST
August 8, 2023
7:50 PM
HELD AT PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL AND VIA ZOOM**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Dr. Jean Ferketish	John Rushford	Maria Paluselli
Dan Sponseller	Joe DiMario	Kathy Clark
Curtis Kossman	George Robinson	Rachel Owens*
David Baker *	Terry Smith	Darlene Brown*
	Don Marinelli	Alan Shuckrow
Sheila Conway		
	Mike Brady	

*Via Zoom

Curtis Kossman convened the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Public Comment

None.

Resignation of Board Member

Curtis Kossman reiterated that long time and beloved Board Member Joe DiMario had advised Mr. Kossman that he was reluctantly resigning from the Board at this time.

There being no quorum at this meeting, voting regarding acceptance of the above resignation, and all other matters requiring a vote, shall be deferred until the next meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Voting on approval of the meeting minutes from the June 13, 2023 regular Board meeting was deferred until a quorum is obtained.

School Operations

Ms. Paluselli presented and the Board discussed at length the enrollment report for the School, and then discussed marketing/educational focus and the need to spread detailed information regarding the very broadly beneficial results of enrollment at the School for children with dyslexia and the success of the Provident approach to helping students with dyslexia. The School should among other things focus on Moon, Mars, Cranberry and generally the southwest quadrant of Butler County and adjoining portion of Allegheny County to spread the information regarding the School to prospective students in need of the School's services, in addition to its other broad informational dissemination efforts.

Mr. Sponseller agreed to set up a conference call with Mr. Kossman and others to discuss (1) the above objectives, (2) the management of costs at the School in light of current enrollment, and (3) the effort to sharpen the educational aspects of the School's outreach programs in terms of the benefits of the School to students with dyslexia and their families.

Ms. Paluselli also presented the current hiring report to the Board, a copy of which is attached as Appendix A to the Agenda. It will be voted upon at the next meeting.

Ms. Paluselli presented a collection of PCS West Policies which the Board reviewed, and which will be filed with these minutes. Voting upon the Policies was deferred until a quorum is obtained.

Finance

An updated budget for the School was discussed. The Board recommended, and Ms. Paluselli agreed to implement, certain adjustments to reduce certain costs.

Approval of the current financial statements and recent vendor purchases for the School were deferred until a quorum is obtained.

Facilities

The Board discussed certain insurance requirements.

Ms. Paluselli reported on certain past and upcoming Open Houses for the School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Date

Daniel J. Sponseller
Secretary of the Board