



**PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL  
MINUTES  
OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PROVIDENT CHARTER  
SCHOOL**

November 8, 2022  
6:00 – 7:30 PM

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

\*Via zoom

Curtis Kossman convened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**Public Comment**

Two Seventh Graders, Hanna Bolick and Payton Herger, made a presentation on their fundraising project (with others) to provide much needed water for South Sudan. The Board was impressed by their initiative, effort and presentation, and encouraged their noble undertaking. The effort will continue, and donations will be accepted, until April 2023.

**Approval of Minutes**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the September and October 2022 monthly Board meetings.

**ACTION:** Upon motion by Curtis Kossman, seconded by Mr. Robinson, the meeting minutes from the September and October 2022 monthly meetings were approved.

### **Report on Governance**

None

### **Report on School Operations**

Maria Paluselli reported that Pittsburgh Public Schools will come in December for their annual audit.

### **Report on Hiring**

Ms. Paluselli reported on hiring as reflected in Appendix A to the Agenda.

**ACTION:** Upon motion by Curtis Kossman, seconded by Mr. Sponseller, the Board unanimously approved the hiring reflected on Appendix A to the Agenda for this meeting.

### **Enrollment Report**

Ms. Paluselli presented the current enrollment report which was attached as Appendix B to the Agenda.

### **Report on Business Services**

Ms. Paluselli provided a detailed list of vendor purchases for October 2022, which the Board reviewed and approved.

**ACTION:** Upon motion by Curtis Kossman, seconded by Mr. Sponseller, the Board unanimously approved the vendor purchases for October 2022, provided by Ms. Paluselli, copies of which will be filed with these minutes.

### **Treasurer's Update/Report on Facilities & Finance**

Curtis Kossman submitted the Treasurer's Report to the Board, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes.

**ACTION:** Upon motion by Curtis Kossman, seconded by Mr. Sponseller, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report.

Mr. Kossman also reviewed the need to transfer \$160,000 from Account 0716 (General Fund) to Account 2880 (Capital Improvements).

**ACTION:** Upon motion by Curtis Kossman, seconded by Mr. Sponseller, the Board unanimously approved the transfer of \$160,000 from Account 0716 (General Fund) to Account 2880 (Capital Improvements).

Mr. Kossman also discussed the impending garage demolition which is expected to provide a substantial number of additional parking spaces.

### **Special Events**

Ms. Paluselli reported on the Annual fund drive, which started in October.

The Board members present agreed to attempt to raise \$100 donations from each Board member to fund the purchase of another School mascot dog. Mr. Sponseller agreed to send an appropriate solicitation to each Board member.

Jean Ferketish announced the winners of the “Tell Our Story” competition, which she initiated among the Board members, to spread the word regarding the Provident story of successfully helping students with dyslexia and the services offered by the School. The winners were David Baker and Sheila Conway.

Ms. Paluselli reported that a High School Transition Fair would be held in a few days, that at least 11 high school representatives will be there, and that 65 students from the sixth through eighth grade have signed up to attend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Daniel J. Sponseller  
Secretary of the Board