



**PCCS Board of Director's Approved Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday September, 27 2016 7:00 PM**  
**Muir Hall**  
**1531 Jones Point Rd**  
**Grayslake, IL 60030**

**Call to Order** 7:04 PM

Board President Ed Jamison

**Members Present**

Ed Jamison, Board President  
Nick Kotzamanis, Vice President  
Brian Conlon, Treasurer  
Sean Daw, temporary Secretary  
Jeff Barhorst  
Marcello Chiodi  
Sue Ross

**Staff Present**

Tony Zamiar  
Geoff Deigan  
Kim Bonczkowski

**Members Not Present**

Angela Lewis  
Dan Fedor

**Others Present**

Candidate Abe Janis  
Unidentified parent  
Eric Hebert past board member

**A quorum was present.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

With vigor, led by Eric Hebert, past board member

**Mission Moment**

Geoff Deigan recognized the textile drive which occurred this past weekend and pointed out Amy Jameson's hard work in organizing parents and the event.

Green team built bench-storage units this past weekend. The academy of global citizens came out a week ago last Wednesday and brought about 25 students and about 7 teachers. The visiting students interviewed our fifth grade students about such things as why they attend Prairie Crossing charter school and what kind of activities they have.

Sustainable school-yard is moving well- PCCS was represented at the Liberty Prairie Harvest fest. For the school itself there's a good bounce in everyone's step and the strong initiative of the environment is still at the forefront

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Sue Ross and seconded by Brian Conlon

**Discussion agenda**

1. **Legal bills:** Mr. Deigan notes that he was able to shave 500\$ from our legal bills due to a 'not to exceed' exception in the contract
  - a. SPED: \$330.00 and GSL \$921.06
2. **Board election timeline & Process- status:**
  - a. Brian Conlon is now Chairman for both the parent elect committee and the board appointed committee. Vote before the Thursday deadline.
  - b. There is now a 'none of the above' listing, along with a single candidate- Ed Jamison. Please reach out to parents to encourage them to vote.
  - c. School is sending out notes to encourage parents to vote.

### 3. **Board Resolution- Line of Credit:**

- a. The board needs to pass a resolution to enable the administration to create a line of credit with our bank Lake Forest. The line of credit is good a five years before a new resolution needs to be passed

### 4. **FY17 budget recast** is in the packet. Geoff Deigan and Brian Conlon are happy to field questions about the budget. No questions were asked

### 5. **Committee updates**

- a. **Academic committee:** Nick Kotzamanis reports that the committee reviewed test scores and the discussion around strategy to get our kids up to high school level capability

**Public Comment** no public comment

### **Consent Agenda**

#### 6. Leadership team report-

- a. Tony Zamiar hand-carries the leadership report
- b. **Deans Report** handed in by Tony Zamiar- this touches on some of the academic committee's discussion of test scores. Mr. Zamiar data shows the following:
- c. **Prairie Crossing ELA scores 63.6% meets or exceeds**
- d. Illinois ELA scores 36.5% meets or exceeds
- e. National ELA scores 42.4% meets or exceeds
- f. **Prairie Crossing Math: 57.8% meets or exceeds**
- g. Illinois Math 31.6% meets or exceeds
- h. National Math 35.4% meets or exceeds
- i. **Geoff Deigan** reports alignments of Federal and state monies- there are new guidelines around title one and title two criteria is changing. The state will audit special education departments for all Illinois schools and will be here first week in October to audit PCCS. Jessica Loustanaou attended a conference in Springfield to get up to speed on the new requirements.

#### 7. Financial Statements

#### ~~8. PSO Report~~

9. Brian Conlon moves to approve open session minutes of previous board and committee meetings; Jeff Barhorst seconds- passes on a voice call
10. Sue Ross makes a motion to accept reports on the consent agenda, and Jeff Barhorst seconds; the motion passes on a voice roll call

### **Action Agenda**

11. Jeff Barhorst makes a motion to approve the legal bills for NTE \$1251.06, Sue Ross seconds the motion, the motion passes on a voice roll call.
12. Brian Conlon makes a motion to approve FY17 budget recast; Jeff Barhorst seconds the motion- the motion passes on a roll call vote.

### **Closed session:**

Nick Kotzamanis makes a motion to move to closed session; Sue Ross seconds the motion. The motion passes on a roll call vote.

Marcello Chiodi joins at 7:32

### **The board moves to closed session**

Discussion Related to 5ILCS 120/2©(3) – The selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in this Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance..

1. Board –Elect Candidate Interviews

Discussion related to 5ILCS 120/2© 21-Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes mandated by Section 2.06

12. Review Closed Session Minutes from Previous Board Meetings

The board returns from closed session at 8:30

**Public Comment** - no public comment

**Action Agenda**

3A Adopt Board resolution to renew line of credit with LFBT

Nick Kotzamanis makes a motion to approve the resolution; Jeff Barhorst seconds that motion- motion approved on a voice roll call. Board members sign a physical paper resolution

11A Appointment of board- elect board member(s)

- Marcello make a motion to Appoint Nick Kotzamanis to the board of directors, Jeff Barhorst seconds- on a roll call, all vote yes. Nick Kotzamanis abstains
- Sean makes a motion to appoint Sue Ross to the board of directors, Marcello Chiodi seconds- passes on a roll-call vote with Sue Ross abstaining.
- Sean Daw makes the motion to appoint Abe Janis to the board of directors, Ed Jameson seconds; passes on a roll-call vote.

**New business**

November- review the test scores with the administration

There being no further business before the board, **Sean Daw** made a motion, seconded by **Jeff Barhorst** to adjourn.

On voice call, the motion passes

MOTION CARRIED at 9:06 PM.

**Adjourn**

Respectfully submitted,



Sean Daw  
Acting Secretary  
September 27, 2016