



PCCS Remote Board of Director's Meeting Board Retreat Approved Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 15, 2021 6:30 PM

Vicky Ranney Library
1591 Jones Point Road
Grayslake, IL 60030

6:30 to 7:00PM – The Board will enjoy snacks and conversation in celebration of a challenging but successful school year.

Call to Order – Roll Call

- Meeting was called to order by President Nell Anen at 7:00pm CST.
- In Attendance
 - PCCS Board:
 - Nell Anen – President
 - Marcelo Chiodi – Vice President
 - Jim Mertz - Secretary
 - Abe Janis
 - JoAnn Stewart
 - Demetri Georgatsos by phone
 - Lea-Ann Domanski
 - Ankur Bhatia
 - Rebekka Herrington
 - Public
 - Rebecca Vanderweigh
 - Dayna Lorentz
 - Marla Maw
 - *Several other members of the public present that did not provide their names.*
- Absent: Stacey White – Treasurer

Motion to Approve Agenda :

- *Motion made by Marcelo Chiodi. Second by Lea-Ann Domanski. Approved on voice vote; carried all 'Yes'.*

Public Comment :

- Rebecca Vanderweigh
 - Requested that PCCS consider revamping the band program
- Dayna Lorentz:
 - Expressed additional suggestions regarding the band program.
 - Suggested PCCS consider administering the program directly in lieu of contracting out the program.
- Marla Maw
 - Expressed that she was there to provide support for the other families who are asking for change within the band program.



Discussion Agenda

1. Band Program at PCCS

- Nell reminded those in attendance that the Board can procedurally direct the administration on what action to take.
 - In pre conversation with Geoff, Nell noted that some families like the existing band program.
- Marcelo inquired if we could have formal discussion before September.
 - It was noted that contractual obligations would potentially prevent us from making changes this fall.
- JoAnn noted the importance of parental involvement for the program.
- Demetri requested the administration create a formal job description for the band program to be used for any future posting.
- Marcello suggested having the overall fine arts program reviewed and would like to see an outline of the program.
- Lea-Ann suggested having a survey conducted of current and past program participants.
- Jim Mertz made recommendation to have a Fine Arts taskforce/committee created.

2. Board and Committee Goals/Long-Term Strategy

- Academic Committee: Abe will stay on as chair.
- Governance: Marcelo will reach the end of his term in October. Rebekka was suggested as the future chair.
- Finance: Ankur was recommended as the new chair. Stacey will be stepping down.
- Election: Jim will stay on as chair.
- Outreach: Geoff will remain as chair.
- Executive Committee: Nell will discuss potential future transition with Jim and Stacey.
- Reminder from Nell that we will vote in the October meeting on new Executive Committee positions.
- Goals
 - Succession Planning
 - Financial Stability
 - Board Recruitment
 1. Outreach
 2. Outside administration perspective
 3. Former staff
 4. Alumni or parents of former students
 5. Nell noted that INCS has a program available
 6. Rebekka noted having an information meeting or table at picnic
 7. JoAnn/Lea-Ann suggested review of the election email to clarify you don't have to be a parent to be apply for a board position
 8. Abe provided reminder of Board goal to focus on legislative outreach
- Group commentary that website needs improvement. This is a possible item for Outreach Committee
- Discussion on having quarterly parent survey on various topics



- Comment made regarding observation of decreased parental involvement over the past few years.
 - Discussion around what the Board's role can be in getting parents more involved.
 - Suggestion made by Rebekka for Board to be involved in a volunteerism day. This was positively received.
 - JoAnn suggested a board goal of partnering w/ PSO on some projects
3. Discussion on process for Public Comment
 - Nell reviewed bylaw 200.15 with the Board and why we are not allowed to respond to public comments directly.
 4. Discussion on "New Business" procedures

Consent Agenda

1. Motion to Approve Open Session Minutes of Previous Board
 - *Motion to approve May open session minutes; Motion made by JoAnn Stewart. Second by Marcelo Chiodi. Approved on voice vote; carried all 'Yes'.*

Action Agenda

There are no Action Items for this Board Retreat

New Business:

- Discussion on July Board meeting
 - Typically, a meeting is not held in July, however it may be necessary to hold a meeting next month. Meeting will be July 27th

Adjourn:

- *Motion to adjourn made by Lea-Ann Domanski. Second by Jim Mertz. Approved on voice vote; carried all 'Yes'.*
- *Meeting adjourned at **8:57pm CST***

Respectfully Submitted,
James Mertz
Board Secretary