

**PONTIAC ACADEMY for EXCELLENCE**  
**School Board Meeting**  
196 Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Pontiac, MI. 48342  
**May 21, 2019**  
4:15 p.m.

**Call to Order** – Art McClellan called to order at **4:16** p.m.

**Roll Call** – Stephanie Spears-Boothe

**Present:** Stephanie Spears-Boothe, Laurie Trafton, Geraldine Graham and Art McClellan

**Absent:** Mary Richardson,

**We have a quorum**

**Approval of Minutes for the April 16, 2019 – School Board Meeting**

**19-051141-** A. McClellan recommended a motion to approve the board minutes.

L. Trafton motioned to approve.

S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved

**Public Comment**

- None

**A. Non-Action Items**

1. Superintendent/CAO Report

*Dr. Desmon Daniel reported on the following:*

- Billboards
- Job Fairs
- Hiring
- Letters of Intent
- School Index
- School Overview
- Parent Information Night
- Open House
- 2016/17 & 2017/18 Scores
- PAE Ranking
- Additional Targeted Support
- Summer School
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Grant
- Stockwell Parking Lot (fencing & lighting)
- Food Pre-bid Meeting
- Sex Advisory Board
- Athletics
- Graduation
- Graduation Rates (PAE requires 24 but State requires only 18)
- CSSM Meeting

***Dr. Desmon Daniel introduced Maner Corterisan:***

- Jeffrey Straus and Cindy Richmon introduced themselves and discussed the services that they are offering to PAE's business office. They are here to assist Mr. Pastrick with moving the budget along and standing in for our accountant that resigned.
- Brad and Cindy will be onsite at PAE.
- Mentioned that we have had our payroll system since 2003.

***Mr. Robert Pastrick (Business Manager) discussed the following:***

- Our technology update should take place in May or June 2019; would like it to happen by July 1, 2019.

***Mr. Doug Newcombe (SVUS) discussed the following:***

- He will be here for our high school graduation on June 4, 2019.
- Working on scheduling the board training.
- There will be a two-day training for all academies on August 17, 2019.
- SVSU is in the process of scheduling a board training at the Macomb campus either on August 10<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup> 2019; he will keep us posted.
- We can do some training in July 2019, if the board is interested.
- The board can do the two-day training in August 2019 and follow up with PAE's training later.

2. Elementary Principal Report

***Dr. Elizabeth Ruff reported on the following:***

- Enrollment/Re-enrollment
- After School Tutoring
- Science Fair
- Fire Safety
- Awards Assembly
- Promotions for Kindergarten & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Pontiac Public Library Visit/Reading to the students

3. Secondary Principal Report

***Dr. Thursenia Jones reported on the following:***

- Enrollment/Re-enrollment
- Science Fair
- Prom
- Grad Night
- Graduation
- Final Exams
- Upward Bound
- Journey to Jobs
- PAE Student/Jordan Manning honored by Winning Futures
- Graduation Rates (PAE requires 24 but State requires only 18)
- 54 Graduates

4. Special Services Report

***Mr. Stanley reported in Ms. Chapman's absence:***

- Awarded a high school senior (Shanell Monyae Michael) with a \$1,000 scholarship

5. Parent Involvement Report  
**Ms. Bermudez reported on the following:**
- American Legion
  - Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
  - PAC Meeting
  - Parent Appreciation Dinner
  - Parent Workshop
  - Science Fair
  - Working with F.U.T.U.R.E. Organization
  - Mckinney Vento
  - Pontiac Arts Crawl

6. Curriculum Director Board Report  
**Ms. Pamela Williams reported on the following:**
- Distributed handouts
  - NWEA Testing

#### **Information and Discussion Items (General)**

- No New Hires.
- R. Pastrick was not able to work on the April & May financials this month; they will not be approved this evening.

#### **Information and Discussion Items (Board Members)**

- A. McClellan - Will be ready for our audit in August 2019.
- A. McClellan – Do we have apps for our hiring process?
- G. Graham - Are we are contacting our list of candidates from the job fair?
- G. Graham - There is a lack of attendance with Upward Bound from PAE.
- L. Trafton – Is there a timeline for our technology update?
- G. Graham - Students need to stick to tutoring; spoke about honors track.
- L. Trafton - It's good that most of the students are graduating.

#### **Unfinished Business**

- Spoke about the District Wellness Plan.

#### **New Business**

- Winfire has put up \$100,000 capital for improvements at PAE; we are going to have our students involved in helping with in the summer.

#### **B. Action Items**

**19-051142** – A. McClellan recommended a motion to approve the Resolution Designating Authorized Signors, Arthur McClellan, Desmon Daniel, Mary Richardson and Lori A. Mason. G. Graham motioned.  
L. Trafton seconded Ayes 4 Nays 0 Approved

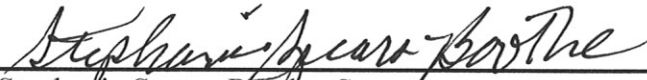
**19-051143** – A. McClellan recommended a motion to approve the Resolution Designating Art McClellan as the Board Vice President/Treasurer.  
L. Trafton motioned.  
S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 4 Nays 0 Approved

**Adjournment**

**19-051144** – A. McClellan recommended a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:54 p.m. L. Trafton motioned.  
S. Spears-Boothe seconded Ayes 4 Nays 0 Approved

Ayes 4  
Nays 0  
Approved

Meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

  
Stephanie Spears-Boothe, Secretary

  
Date