

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

**Call to Order** – Mary Richardson called to order at **4:20** p.m.

**Roll Call** – Lori Mason

**Present:** Mary Richardson, Dr. Payton Jackson III and Art McClellan

**Absent:** None

**We have a quorum**

**Approval of Minutes for the September 17, 2019 – School Board Meeting**

19-101199 - M. Richardson recommended a motion to approve the board minutes.

P. Jackson III motioned to approve.

A. McClellan seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved

**Public Comment**

- Mr. Sean Waters discussed AHERA Training
  - 3 Year Inspections needed
  - 6 month asbestos check needed
- Ms. Karen Pond
  - We have numbers to support our homeless population

**A. Non-Action Items**

1. Superintendent/CAO Report

*Dr. Desmond Daniel reported on the following:*

- MDE Letter
- Oakland ISD
- District Attorney's Office School Safety Initiative
- Safety Protocol Document from SVSU
- Count Day
- Governor Vets
- Field Trips

2. Elementary Principal Report

*Ms. Pamela Williams reported on the following:*

- Calendar
- Jr. Achievement
- Chemical Bank
- Donuts with Dad
- Popcorn Sale
- Family Night
- Harvest Fest
- Readers/Writers Workshop
- Step Team
- Interventionist

3. Secondary Principal Report  
*Dr. Thursenia Jones reported on the following:*
  - Academics
  - Oakland Schools
  - GPS
  - Kaplan Proposal
  - Edgenuity
  - Credit Recovery
  - 36 Seniors/24 on pace to graduate
  - Winning Futures
  - SVSU Overview for students
  - Honors Class
  - Field Trips
  - Washington DC Trip
  - Talent & Fashion Show
  - Drumline
  - Introduction of teachers
  
4. Special Services Report  
*Ms. Chapman did not report.*
  
5. Parent Involvement Report  
*Ms. Bermudez reported on the following*
  - McKinney Vento
  - Open House
  - PAC Voting for new officers
  - Hispanic Celebration
  - Parent Empowerment Day
  - Parent Workshops
  - Transportation
  - Caseload
  - Closing programs for the summer
  - Crucial Conversation Training
  - Pink out for a cure
  - Partnerships
  - Harvest Fest
  
6. Curriculum Director Board Report  
*Ms. Pamela Williams reported on the following:*
  - NWEA
  - WIDA Testing
  - Oakland Schools
  - DRA Tool

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

- Dr. Payton Jackson III wants the minutes for September 17, 2019 to reflect that he did not suggest that students should have a 2.5 GPA.
- We need special board meeting to discuss the Amendment to the Lease Agreement.
- Create PAE email addresses for the board members.
- Discussed media coverage of the PAE student with the alleged hit list.
- Working on getting space for our parents here at PAE.

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

- A. McClellan/Financials update
  - Balance Sheet
  - Revenue
  - Adjustments
  - Title 1 & Food Services
  - Benefit Management
  - Lease Reduction of 6/1%=\$8,000
  - Check Register
  - Audit
  - Data Breach
  - Conversation with Charter Technology
  - User Training
  - Recovery System
- P. Jackson III – Safety starts with PAE first. More effective if it comes from us.
- P. Jackson III – How are the people chosen for Kaplan?
- P. Jackson III – Is there an exit interview process?
- P. Jackson III – Spoke about outreach in the summer.
- M. Richardson – We need one spokesperson for the school.
- M. Richardson – Thanked Mrs. Mason for her loyalty and dedication to the school.
- M. Richardson – Are we connected to Homeland Security?
- M. Richardson – Have we received State Revenue or Aid yet?
- M. Richardson – We need to strengthen our partnership with OLHSA.
- M. Richardson – Would like to see our students do an essay after their field trips.
- M. Richardson – Please verify count numbers.

## **Unfinished Business**

- None.

## **New Business**

- None.

## **B. Action Items**

- 19-101200 – M. Richardson recommended a motion to approve the Financial Reports. P. Jackson III motioned.  
A. McClellan seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved
- 19-101201 – M. Richardson recommended a motion to receive and accept the New Hires Report. A. McClellan motioned.  
P. Jackson III seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved
- 19-101202 – M. Richardson recommended a motion to approve the AHERA Resolution appointing Sean Waters as the designated contact.  
A. McClellan motioned.  
P. Jackson III seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved

## **Adjournment**

- 19-101203 – M. Richardson recommended a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. A. McClellan motioned.  
P. Jackson III seconded Ayes 3 Nays 0 Approved

Ayes 3  
Nays 0  
Approved

Meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

*Mary M. Richardson*  
Mary Richardson, President

*November 19, 2019*  
Date