

Pulaski Charter Schools, Inc., d/b/a Academics Plus Charter School
Meeting of the Board of Trustees, July 11, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Jess Sweere at 6:01 p.m.

I. Call to order/ Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Sweere. Board Members in attendance were Mr. Dustin Henderson, Ms. Stephanie Henson, Mr. Keith Robinson, and Mr. Will Crawford. Administrators in attendance were Mr. McGill, Ms. Walker and Ms. Wheeler
Absent: Dr. Don Henderson and Mr. Tim Loken

*Lt. John Breckon entered at 6:03 p.m.

*Dr. Melanie Conway entered at 6:20 p.m.

II. Public Comment

None

III. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Robinson motioned to approve the minutes for June 13th. Mr. Henderson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IV. Executive Director's Report

A. Enrollment Update:

650 students enrolled as of July 8th. APCS has a student body with a minority rate of 27.08%. 19.38% of the student population is African-American.

B. Recommendations:

1. Ex-Officio Officer

Rationale: The Ex-Officio Officer must be appointed each year at a regular board meeting. Mr. Robinson motioned to appoint Rob McGill as Ex-Officio Officer effective July 1, 2011 for the 2011-12 school year. Ms. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

2. District Treasurer

Rationale: The District Treasurer must be appointed each year at a regular board meeting. Mr. Robinson motioned to appoint Cathy Smith as District Treasurer effective July 1, 2011 for the 2011-12 school year. Ms. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

3. Merit Pay-Presentation given by Gary Ritter and Nathan Jensen with the University of Arkansas.

Rationale: In order to monetarily reward staff members for increased student achievement. Mr. Robinson motioned to approve the merit pay plan as discussed. Mr. Dustin Henderson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Uniform Policy

Rationale: Based on feedback from the parents, staff and administration the recommended changes that are requested to be approved.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended changes to the uniform policy as amended. Lt. Breckon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

5. Valedictorian/Salutatorian Policy

Rationale: In order to make a more fair and balanced Valedictorian/Salutatorian Policy the recommended changes are requested.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended changes to the Valedictorian/Salutatorian Policy as amended. Ms. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

6. Honors Policy

Rationale: In order to recognize honors students the following policy is recommended.

Honors recognition is awarded to signify a student's academic excellence over the course of high school.

- The Valedictorian/Salutatorian criteria will be used to determine the Honor students
- The 10 highest ranking students with grade point average of 3.0 or above will receive Honor recognition.
- Valedictorian and Salutatorian will also receive honor recognition if all criteria are met.

7. Attendance and Tardy Policy

Rationale: In order to clarify the Attendance/Tardy Policy the recommended changes are requested.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended changes to the Attendance/Tardy Policy. Lt. Breckon seconded the motion. The motion carried.

8. Promotion/Retention Policy

Rationale: In order to make a more fair and balanced Promotion/Retention Policy the policy is recommended.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended Promotion/Retention Policy. Ms. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

9. Locker Policy

Rationale: A locker policy should be placed in the student handbook.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended Locker Policy. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

10. Semester Exam Exemption Policy

Rationale: It is recommended this policy be placed in the student handbook.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended Semester Exam Exemption Policy. Ms. Henson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

11. After School Detention Policy

Rationale: In order to set clear guidelines the recommended policy should be placed in the student handbook.

Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the recommended After School Detention Policy. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Finance Committee – Mr. Crawford

Mr. Crawford motioned to approve the April and May 2011 financials. Lt. Breckon seconded the motion. The motion carried

The next Finance Committee meeting is August 4th at 6:30 a.m. in the Executive Director's office.

B. Policy Committee - Mr. Dustin Henderson, Chair

Next meeting August 4th at 6:30 p.m. in the "A" building.

C. Student Performance Committee – Dr. Conway, Chair

None.

D. Facilities Committee

Mr. Jeff Rochelle with Nabholtz reported that the new elementary building has power.

E. Campus Life/Community Relations

None

IV. New Business

None

V. Old Business

None.

VI. Adjournment

Ms. Henson made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Crawford seconded the motion. Motion carried.
The meeting adjourned at **8:41** p.m.