

# January 2021 PSCS Board Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2021, 6:00 PM,  
PSCS, 9300 Bob Beatty Rd, Charlotte, NC 28269  
Zoom Meeting

## ROLL CALL

### Board Members Present

- Abigail Jennings, Barbara Ann Temple, Will Weaver, Erik Giles, Jeanne Bryne, Ananth Nilakantan, Peter Blumenfeld

### Board Members Absent

- Kim Champion, Sandy Knox,

### Administration Present

- Becky Friend, Erin McDonald, Randolph Lewis

### Guests

- Kara Smith

## CALL TO ORDER

Abigail Jennings established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

## PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no notable discussions or motions. Erik Giles made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Jeanne Bryne seconded the motion. Abigail called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail called for a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

## GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Erik Giles presented a minor revision to the Non-discrimination Policy. Abigail called for a motion to approve the revision. Erik Giles made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Barbara Ann Temple seconded the motion. Abigail called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail called for a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

Erik then presented a document created by the Social Justice Committee, a sub-committee of the Governance Committee, which provided a statement on Social Justice at PSCS. This document will be posted on the PSCS website in a new section for Social Justice. Abigail called for a motion to approve the revision. Barbara Ann Temple made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. Erik Giles seconded the motion. Abigail called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail called for a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ananth Nilakantan presented the December 2020 Financial Statement and Balance Sheet. Erik Giles made a motion to approve the December 2020 Financial Summary and Balance Sheet. Jeanne Bryne seconded the motion. Abigail called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail called for a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

## FACILITIES TASK FORCE

Peter Blumenfeld reported the Middle School project is fully completed. The High School project is in the planning stages. The architect met with the engineer last week, and plan to have final review of the plans next week, with the schedule to submit the plans on January 22, 2021. The civil set has been submitted and modifications have been received. Peter is working through these requests. The castle renovation is almost complete. Waiting on sliding windows currently on order. Randolph Lewis shared that fiber was installed over break and Wi-Fi installation is nearly complete. Furnishings have been planned and will be delivered soon. Abigail Jennings reported the Pettis lot acquisition is going well. The Phase 1 Environmental Report was received and was a clean report. ALTA survey and title work should be completed by end of week, and the closing is anticipated before the end of the month.

## **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE REPORT**

Jeanne Bryne provided an update on the Academic Excellence Committee's Strategic Goals, and shared the 19-20 Performance Framework in which

## **DIRECTOR REPORTS**

### **Advancement**

Erin McDonald reported

- On current enrollment for the lottery
- Marketing meetings seeking feedback on marketing and communications.
- Primary focus on marketing is through video.
- 2021-22 Calendar in progress, getting feedback from staff, will be presented in Feb.
- Next fundraisers being planned. Teacher/Staff experiences to be auctioned coming soon.
- Modifying PSCS Valentine tradition.

### **Facilities**

- Randolph Lewis reported
- Preparing for Phase II of Learning Pods, which will include 6-9<sup>th</sup>.
- New cleaning proposal for additional disinfecting.
- Fire alarm inspections this week.
- Tree work to clean-out dead wood in campus trees.
- Challenge Towers installing shade sail at Croft and inspecting low ropes course.
- Continuing to refine storage to eliminate additional storage units.

### **Operations**

Becky Friend reported:

- 2020-21 Calendar to be amended and announced this week.
- Additional COVID-19-related income coming from Federal funds.
- Learning Pods for K-9 next week. Priority is safety.
- Shared Kara Smith success story. Kara began with the school as an assistant teacher, moved into lead teacher role through lateral entry, and last week graduated with teaching degree. She is now pursuing her Masters in Education.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Abigail Jennings called for any further comment or discussion and hearing none requested a motion to adjourn. Barbara Ann Temple made the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm, without objection.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Abigail Jennings', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Abigail Jennings, Chairperson