



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes
August 17, 2017

1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance

PHCSE student 3rd Grader Sarah Frady lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m. by Bernice Lee

2. Roll Call

Name	Present	Absent	Time of Arrival After Call to Order
Qiana Buckner	X (phone)		
David Burton		X	
LaToya Hamm		X	
Bernice Lee	X		
Darren McCormick	X		
Jose Rodriguez		X	
Tricia Shelton	X		
Allen Zeolla	X		

Be it resolved that the Board adopts the agenda.

Mrs. Lee made the motion to amend and adopt the agenda after adding item #6.

MM: BL SM: AZ Action: Approved

3. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes from the 6/22/17 Board Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes from the 7/6/17 Special Board Meeting
- c. Approval of Personnel Report
- d. Approval of Financial Report

Be it resolved that the Board approves the consent agenda.

MM: QB SM: AZ Action: Approved

Public Comment

4. Reports/Presentations to the Board

- a. School Report
Ms. Allen – Highlighted the Soaring Summer Academy that took place this summer. She

also made remarks regarding the recent 21st Century Grant award, middle school orientation and new elective courses for this upcoming school year.

b. PTA

Will have first public meeting on Sept. 13, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. Will have two Book Fairs this year.

Public Comment

Board comment: (Tricia Shelton) Excited about the summer program. Congratulated the staff. Suggested they share results of the program with staff that did not participate in the summer program. Survey showed that 71.4% were extremely satisfied. Asked what could be improved – Mr. Tracey believes the older students were not engaged enough in the sports for their age group. Will plan to improve upon that aspect of the program next year.

Board comment: (Bernice Lee) The Board would like to schedule their September Board meeting to run on the same day following the PTA meeting. Mr. Jones will coordinate with the PTA to ensure this happens.

5. Per recommendation of the Administration, approval of revised Student Immunizations Board policy.

Effective August 1, new state regulations for immunizations. Strict requirements for immunizations prior to first day of school.

MM: AZ SM: TS Action: Approved

Public Comment

Q: How do we enforce that?

A: Administration will discuss with attorney regarding next steps to enforce.

Q: Can the school nurse access the state website to get the immunization information?

A: Administration and attorney to look into that.

6. Per recommendation of the Administration, approval of revised PDE Lease Reimbursement Form 418.

Occupancy permit is dated September 14, 2016; we occupied the building July 1, 2016. PDE will only reimburse for lease dates on and after occupancy permit issued.

MM: TS SM: DM Action: Approved

7. New Business

Public Comment

Q: PTA events – do volunteers need clearances if there is always a teacher or staff and after hours?

A: Board Attorney – Law is clear that volunteers who have contact with children must have clearances whether or not staff members who are at the event have clearances.

Q: If in for less than an hour, under the guidance of a volunteer who has clearance, can they be there without a clearance?

A: Board Attorney – will send link from PDE page to Board president that gives scenarios. Mr. Jones stated that the Administration is working on a volunteer manual that he will share with attorney for review/comment.

Q: Renewal for clearances?

A: Every three years.

PTA will ask to use one of the rooms in front hallway that are unused at the next Penn Hills SD board meeting. Mr. Jones will be in attendance to support the PTA.

Adjourned

MM: TS SM: DM Action: Approved

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.