

2025 PSCS May Board Meeting Minutes

May 19th, 2025, 6:00 PM

PSCS 9232 Bob Bob Beatty Rd, Charlotte, NC 28269

Virtual meeting www.pioneerzoom.com

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present

☐ Abigail Jennings, Peter Blumenfeld, Erick Peters, Sandy Knox, James Freeman, Gail Faithful, Joseph Vaughn

Board Members Absent

☐ DeOnn Griffin, Barbara Ann Temple

Administration Present

☐ Becky Friend

Public Present

☐ Tilden Engle

CALL TO ORDER

Abigail Jennings established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no notable discussions or motions. Barbara Ann Temple motioned to approve the April minutes and Gail Faithful seconded the motion. Abigail Jennings called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail Jennings called for a motion to approve; the motion passed unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Erick Peters presented the Financial Statement and Balance Sheet for April. YTD net profit/loss was negative for April due to delayed PMRs. It is anticipated that a net profit will be reflected by May's financials. Total assets and liabilities equal more than \$14 million dollars. Sandy Knox made a motion to approve the April financials and Joseph Vaughn seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Erick Peters also presented the 2025-26 budget. James Freeman asked questions about enrollment and the new equation for calculating per pupil funding. Sandy Knox made a motion

to approve the budget and it was seconded by Joseph Vaughn. The motion passed unanimously.

Sandy Knox motioned to approve, and Joseph Vaughn seconded the motion. Abigail Jennings called for any additional questions or comments; there were none. Abigail Jennings called for a vote; the motion passed unanimously.

Abigail Jennings presented content for the governance committee and, specifically, the renewal of terms of select board members. Erick Peters and Peter Blumenfeld agreed to serve an additional term. All officers agreed to serve in their current roles barring board consensus. A motion to renew terms for the former was made by James Freeman and seconded by Sandy Knox. It was approved without dissent. A motion to renew officer terms was made by Joseph Vaughn and seconded by Gail Faithful and was unanimously approved.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE COMMITTEE

Gail Faithful presented a report for academic excellence. She reiterated the school's academic goal of 100% student growth and talked about the process for developing the academic plan that will be submitted to Great Schools NC on June 13th.

FACILITIES

Peter Blumenfeld gave an update regarding the required roadway improvements for which bids should be in the following next week.

DIRECTOR REPORT

Becky Friend reported on the following:

- End-of-year testing
- Graduation June 5th at 6 PM at Lake Forest Church

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Tilden Engle shared his thoughts regarding AP courses and his misperception that Pioneer Springs does not offer these courses in the high school. Becky Friend clarified that the high school offers AP courses through NCVPS; however, the school endorses the dual enrollment program through partnership with CPCC as a greater payoff for investment of time.

CLOSED SESSION

The board entered into Closed Session at 6:33 pm upon a motion being made by Joseph Vaughn and seconded by Barbara Ann Temple to discuss the negotiation of property acquisition. It was confirmed via roll call vote of all board members present pursuant to North Carolina General § 143-318.

Abigail Jennings called for a motion to end the closed session. The board ended the Closed Session and entered into an Open Session at 6:37 pm upon a motion made by Gail Faithful and seconded by Joseph Vaughn.

Abigail Jennings asked for a motion to extend the contract for one month. The motion was made by Sandy Knox and seconded by Joseph Vaughn; it was approved unanimously. A second motion to allow Abigail Jennings and Sandy Knox to work with the property seller was made by James Freeman and seconded by Joseph Vaughn and approved by all.

ADJOURNMENT

Abigail Jennings called for any further comment or discussion and, hearing none, requested a motion to adjourn. Gail Faithful made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. and it was seconded by Joseph Vaughn.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Knox

Sandy Knox, Board Secretary

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