

# Park City Prep Charter School

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# **Board of Directors Meeting**

June 11, 2015

## MINUTES

Present: John Bryk, Ken Flatto, Rose Richardson, Cassandra Edmonds, Chris Van Etten, Vicky Boudreau,

Bruce Ravage

Absent: Warren Blunt and Vince Glasso

Meeting called to order at 6:25 pm

- Public Session No one in attendance
- The minutes of May 13, 2015 were approved unanimously.
- Financial Update The Board will be updated at a later time due to the absence of the Operation Manager. Last month's overall financial picture has not changed.
- Director's Update
  - o Legal Matters No further update since last meeting
  - Charter schools funding update There will not be an increase in per pupil funding for the next academic year. The state legislature passed funding for two new charter schools to open, one in Bridgeport and the other in Stamford.
  - o June 13<sup>th</sup> orientation for new families & placement testing Orientation for new families and new student testing will take place this Saturday at 9:00 am.
  - June 4<sup>th</sup> Magnet, parochial, charters and traditional public school principals met for the second time with the Bridgeport Superintendent to develop a plan to share best practices amongst the schools.
  - O Student Recruitment We are fully filled for next year's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. There were 220+ applicants for approximately 90 places, which was the greatest demand we have ever experienced.
  - o New hires for for 2015-2016
    - We have hired 2 elementary teachers to replace one 5<sup>th</sup> and one 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.
    - One full time special education teacher has been hired
    - We are still in the process of hiring an 8<sup>th</sup> grade Social studies teacher and a part time special education teacher.

o Ninth Annual Commencement Ceremony – Thursday June 18, 2015 6:00 pm at Klein Auditorium.

### Old Business

- o New Position Development Coordinator
- o Updating Staff Absence Bruce and Lorraine will do more research and update the Board.

### • New Business

- o June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting with Merrill Lynch regarding investments Bruce, Ken and John met with a Merrill Lynch representative regarding various investment options. The Board voted unanimously to develop a policy for investment options within the next 30 days.
- Modified staff hours Teaching and support staff have approached administration regarding a modification/reduction in their hours. The Board voted unanimously to adhere to, and to not alter, hours based on job descriptions for both teaching and non-teaching staff.
- O Updated student attendance policies Per our current policy, Park City Prep may retain a student who has 18 or more absences in the school year regardless of their academic standing. The Director has requested that the policy be amended to make students ineligible for a variety of school privileges in an effort to stem the frequency of absences to avert retention at the end of the school year. The Director will send the Board a copy of the proposal for their vote.
- o Meetings for 2015-2016 school year will be determined within the next 30 days.

Minutes submitted by Vicky Boudreau