

Board Meeting Minutes March 11, 2020 Via Email

- 1. February 12th Motion to hire a Search Firm for the Executive Director for approximately \$14,000: All approved.
- 2. Motion to approve minutes December 2, 2019
 - a. Motion: Bernache
 - b. Second: Day
 - c. Vote: All approved.
- 3. Motion to approve the 990 as recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee
 - a. Motion: Rosapepe
 - b. Second: Day
 - c. Vote: All approved
- 4. The 1 yr. CD is coming due on 4/17/2020. The finance committee voted to purchase another \$500K 2 year CD with the money that matures. Motion to approve a change in the Money Market investment as recommended by the Finance Committee
 - a. Motion: Rosapepe
 - b. Second: Day
 - c. Vote: All approved
- 5. Proposed FY21 Budget as approved by the Finance Committee
 - a. Discussion
 - 1. We have budgeted a 4.5% increase in the per-pupil for revenue. The PGCPS budget book indicates a 5.8% increase, so our projection is conservative.
 - 2. We are projecting a 6% increase in teacher pay. This would anticipate a cost of living as well as step increases for teachers. This will also increase projected teacher benefits.
 - 3. We are adding an additional math position to allow for more face to face math instruction.
 - 4. We are requesting an additional \$20,000 for stipends to teachers for Saturday school to support students
 - 5. We increased the technology budget to refresh aging Chromebooks
 - 6. We moved the Marketing Associate and Executive Director salaries to the Children's Guild line 61140 as they will be Children's Guild employees.
 - 7. Added dollars for the implementation of the art work.
 - b. Motion to accept the proposed FY21 budget: Rosapepe
 - c. Second: Day
 - d. Vote: All approved
- 6. Academic Committee Report:
 - a. Working on expanding course offerings at the University of Maryland through a potential cohort model.

- b. Arts in the Building: Focus groups complete. Graphic designer hired to complete the design.
- c. Parent Engagement: next event scheduled for March 21, but cancelled due to the school closure.
- 7. Organization and Development:
 - a. Executive Director Search: Search firm hired. They are setting up phone conferences with board members.
 - b. Principal Evaluation: working through the key data elements.
 - c. Interim Board Chair:
 - 1. Motion that Dr. Rice serve as the interim Board chair, effective July 1, 2020: Bernache
 - 2. Second: Day
 - 3. Vote: All approved.
- 8. Marketing and Development: Justin Ross, Jim Rosapepe
 - a. Website design: Redesign of the website in progress.
 - b. White Label: Working on the business modeling to offer two programs to students outside of CPA: Chinese and Entrepreneurship.
- 9. Executive Director Report: Duane Arbogast
 - a. Elementary school proposed to PGCPS CEO. The proposal is to convert Paint Branch Elementary into a conversion charter school.
 - 1. Motion: Send a letter of Intent to the PGCPS CEO: Bernache
 - 2. Second: Day
 - 3. Vote: All approved.
- 10. Graduation:
 - a. May 26 at 1:00 PM at the Clarice Center
 - b. Eighth Grade promotion on June 6th at 6:00
 - c. Reception dinner to be scheduled.
- 11. Principal Report: Gordon Libby, Steve Baker
 - a. CPA's first ever National Signing Day Celebration Hope Arce-Reed, West Virginia Wesleyan for Volleyball 2/5/2020
 - b. Mr. Baker, Mr. Irwin, and Ms. Slobodnik presented about CPA at the 2nd DLAC (Digital Learning Annual Conference) in Austin, Texas 2/24/2020 2/26/2020
 - c. Boys Varsity Basketball played in their first ever County Championship Game 2/25/2020
 - d. Black History Month Program 2/27/2020
 - e. Boys and Girls Basketball were in the State Regional Playoffs 3/2/2020 3/4/2020
 - f. Boys made it to the Semifinals, Girls made it to the Finals
 - g. SAT/PSAT 10 Day 3/4/2020
 - h. Accuplacer for 10th and 11th 2/25 3/2
 - i. Rising 12th Graders College Application Workshop 3/4/2020
 - j. HS SGA Field Trip to Annapolis to Lobby for Teacher Salary Recommendations from the Kirwin Commission 3/11/2020
 - k. A group of students attended a workshop about cyber media bullying to be trained to become UpStanders! The event was put on by Siena College, AT&T and the University of Maryland.