

# PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL

## November 11, 2024 6:00 PM HELD AT PROVIDENT CHARTER SCHOOL AND VIA ZOOM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	OTHERS PRESENT
Terry Smith*	John Rushford	Maria Paluselli
Dan Sponseller		Kathy Clark
Dr. Jean Ferketish		Rachel Owens*
Curtis Kossman	Dan Lynch	Darlene Brown*
David Baker		Sallie Richards
Sheila Conway		Alan Shukrow
Mike Brady		

\*Via Zoom

The meeting was convened at 6:00 p.m.

### **Approval of Foundation Name Modification**

The Board discussed the desirability of changing the name of the Provident Charter School Foundation to the Provident Education Foundation, in light of the additional undertakings that Dr. Owens will be implementing to enhance the educational services of the Foundation to support the missions to provide reading assistance materials to needy students with dyslexia.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Kossman, seconded by Ms. Conway, the Board unanimously approved the above name change to the Provident Education Foundation. A written Resolution reflecting such approval was presented, will be signed and will be filed with these minutes.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The meeting minutes from October 2024 regular Board meeting were reviewed by the Board.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Baker, the meeting minutes from the October 2024 regular Board meeting were unanimously approved.

## **Facility**

The Board discussed the potential addition of elevators for the School, and reviewed a proposal of Desmone & Associates for preliminary design work concerning options. The Board emphasized that the preparation of design options should be taken in small steps, for the Board's future consideration, and after extensive discussion agreed that the initial design of option proposals could proceed at an amount under \$15,000, per Phase 1 of the written proposal of Desmone.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Sponseller, seconded by Mr. Kossman, the Board approved of the retention of Desmone & Associates to perform an initial design of option proposals at an amount under \$15,000, per Phase 1 of the written proposal of Desmone.

### **Enrollment and Hiring**

Ms. Paluselli reviewed the monthly enrollment and hiring report.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Kossman, the monthly hiring report was approved, a copy of which will be filed with these minutes.

Ms. Paluselli and the Board also reviewed the monthly enrollment report for the School.

### Finance

Ms. Paluselli advised that we are waiting for the Annual Financial Report to be finalized, and that she will inquire of the accountants as to when that will occur and when they will have the audit ready.

Ms. Paluselli presented the Board with the vendor purchases for the month of October 2024.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Kossman, the vendor purchases for the month of October 2024 were unanimously approved.

The financial report was presented to the Board for October 2024.

**ACTION**: Upon motion by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Kossman, the financial report was unanimously approved.

### <u>Outreach</u>

Ms. Paluselli reported on the status of the 2024 Annual Fund drive. The Board reviewed the fundraising flyer for the drive and was impressed and thanked Ms. Paluselli and Dr. Owens for their good work. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Date

Daniel J. Sponseller Secretary of the Board