## Minutes



Choice, Quality and Accountability in Public Education

PCPCS Board of Trustees Meeting Wednesday, October 20, 2021 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

### Introduction

### Governance vs. Management

## **Approval of July 2021 Meeting Minutes**

## **Board Update (Lumen)**

#### Discuss Work with Lumen

- Reviewed our application
- Review our documents and processes
- Helped us learn how to appropriately review budgets
- Helped us develop our vision

Because I didn't feel we were doing all we could do and seizing the opportunities available with this grant, I asked the Exec Board and Lenny to meet with Lumen to hear from an outside source who has done this all before, how we can maximize the opportunity.

## **Advisory Council Update**

### Governance

## **Financials / Budget**

PACSP funds, have transferred \$132,000 that covers a portion of my salary, all of our contractors and supplies. We will be transferring over another Approx \$40,000 and will leave close to \$180,000 unspent vs budgeted in year 1.

Signed 39 Business Partners for the 2021-22 School Year, 8 new and 31 returning.

Conference Revenue \$53,000 in sponsorships \$20,000 in ticket sales Anticipating a \$10-15,000 profit

## Legal Update / Legal Advisory Council

Legislative Update (Giorno, Walsh, and Abella)

# Communications/Grassroots/Legislative Support Update

# **PCPCS** Partnerships

## Projects

Innovation Spotlight

o Souderton in August

Essay Contest

- Had about 50 submissons
- Picture Winner is brother and sister from Gettysburg
- Essay Winner from Tidioute (2<sup>nd</sup> time)

#### 2022 Calendar

• Available Now!

### PACSP Grant

- Year one began for our 3 subgrantees on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Midland and City High will have one year of planning while Bear Creek is going straight into implementation.
- We have established a Reimbursement Process
  - $\circ$   $\;$  We will be doing quarterly reimbursements for our schools
  - We have received our first round of expenditures from our schools and have been reviewing expenses for allowability and will be doing our first reimbursement to the schools in the next week
  - Established an online grant management system (fedreporting.com) for communication with applicants and subgrantees. Will be used for applications, peer review, post award program management, and document retention
- Lumen
  - Currently working on a revamp of our budget to allow for more flexibility and to hopefully bring in help on the Coalition side for the upcoming year. Money is not our problem.
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Also looking to add more research into the grant
- Working with authorizers is a major component of the grant. Ben has successfully built a relationship with the Pittsburgh school district and is working with them to update many of their processes and hopes that PSD will help get him in the door with other authorizer.
  - Authorizer training to start in the new year
- External Reviewer/Glass Frog completed the activity tracker and I need to review
- Summit at the Annual Conference
  - Day 1 -
    - Act 55 Jesse & Attorney (AM)
    - Compliance Intro Abby (PM)
    - o Cohort-Building Jesse (PM)
  - Day 2
    - Workshop #1 (AM) Improving Instruction via Curricular Design (QS #1)

- Allie Rodman, The Learning Loop
- Workshop #2 (PM) Using Data for Continuous Improvement (QS#1)
  - Alex Schuh, School Frontiers

Day 3

- Workshop #3 (AM) Effective & Ethical Leadership
  - Tom Miller, Leaders Building Leaders
- Workshop #4 (PM) Advocacy/Community Engagement
  - Sean Connolly & Dennis Walsh, Bravo Group
- We will soon be restarting the process, revamping our initial application, hosting trainings.
- Will be looking for peer reviewers

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- Having conversations now
- Stop by our booth

#### Calendar

- Collected over 20 photos
- Will also highlight conference sponsors

**Essay and Picture Contest** 

### **Events Update**

Summer Webinar Series 6 essions 2021 Annual Conference

- 35 Sessions plus the Innovation Strand
- 54 Vendors
- 375 Attendees
- \$56,000 in sponsorships and vendors
- Thank you to the Volunteers
- App is new
- Passport Contest

Advocacy training

• Virtual and In person Option Available

ACT 55 Board Training will occur on December 10 via ZOOM

## **CEO** Update

### **New Business**

### **Upcoming Board Meetings**

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