

Palm Beach School for Autism, Inc. Virtual Board of Directors Meeting via Zoom March 6, 2023

Present: Randee Gabriel - President

Dawn D'Amato – Vice President Russ Feldman- Board Member Steve Carroll – Treasurer Jerry Zel - Board Member

June Aversano – Board Member

Ann Levene-Eisenberg - Executive Director

Louisa Legato - Business Director

Allison Ballin - Associate Director of Education and Behavioral Services

Absent: Damien Hunte – Board Member

Guest(s): Ken Kaneski - CPA

<u>Call to Order:</u> Randee Gabriel called the meeting to order at 4:06pm

Board of Directors Approvals:

➤ Board members reviewed the minutes from the December 5, 2022 Board Meeting. It was stated there was a misspelling, which was corrected. Steve Carroll made a motion to approve the minutes with this change, Jerry Zel seconded and all board members voted in favor.

➤ Board members reviewed the minutes from the Special Board Meeting on February 16, 2023. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Steve Carroll, it was seconded by Jerry Zel and all board members voted in favor.

CPA - Ken Kaseski:

- It was stated we needed to put some of our funds from our bank accounts into a Money Market Account. Several companies were suggested and it was decided to go with UBS. There were questions asked, discussions made and questions answered. A motion was made to have multiple Money Market Accounts for each bank account by Steve Carroll, no one seconded and no board members voted in favor, so the motion was dropped. A second motion was made to have one Money Market Account for all bank accounts by Russ Feldman, Dawn D'Amato seconded and all board members voted in favor.
- It was stated Ken was leaving the meeting at 4:38pm.

Business Manager - Louisa Legato:

> It was stated the position of the financial statements and bank account balances. No questions were asked and no futher discussions were made.

Executive Directors Report - Ann Levene-Eisenberg:

- > It was stated our Comedy & Cocktails event was very successful. We were over last year's net profits, but short of our goal. With that said, it was an amazing evening and everyone had a great time.
- > It was stated we are planning for Summer School and the Fall enrollment.
- > It was stated by Ann, she attended a summit of various charter school leaders, it was a tremendous success and the accolades for our school were overwhelming. It was also stated some leaders from the DC area were coming to visit our school.

- > It was stated Ms. Olive, Principal for Grades 4 Middle, was retiring and her last day on-campus would be May 26, 2023; however, she is staying on staff as a consultant for 6 months to a year.
- > It was stated Mr. Jon would now be Principal for Middle and High School and Ms. Juliet would be Principal for Pre-K through Grade 5.

Associate Directors Report - Alli Ballin:

- ➤ It was stated we are working on enrollment for 2023-2024 school year.
- > It was stated we already have a waiting list for some grades, but there are spots available in pre-k and early elementary.
- > It was stated we are starting a new schoolwide schedule. It will kick-off starting in Summer School, so there is time to work through the kinks.
- > It was stated we are meeting weekly with our BCBA's (currently 9 on staff) and all the therapists (SLP's, OT's and PT's).
- > It was stated we are hiring teachers and teacher assistants.

Miscellaneous Announcements:

> There were no other items for discussion.

Adjournment:

> Jerry Zel made a motion to adjourn, Steve Carroll seconded the motion and all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:59pm.

Respectfully submitted: Sherri Gallagher