**West Virginia Professional Charter School Board Meeting Minutes**

**8:00 a.m., October 18**

I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Adam Kissel at 8:00 a.m.

II. **Attendance** – Attending members were Karen Bailey-Chapman, Dewayne Duncan, Brian Helton, and Adam Kissel. Non-voting member Delegate Joe Ellington also attended.

III. **Minutes** – Minutes from the meeting of September 27, 2022 were approved (moved by Bailey-Chapman, seconded by Duncan, vote 3-0).

IV. **Lawsuit** – Adam Kissel proposed that the PCSB become a plaintiff in the Michigan Association of Public School Academies, et al. v. U.S. Department of Education. The Pacific Legal Foundation is representing charter schools and charter school advocates in a legal challenge against the Biden administration’s rulemaking related to the federal Charter Schools Program. Participating in the lawsuit will not produce expenses for the PCSB. The board voted to join the lawsuit and empowered PCSB Chairman Kissel to take necessary administrative steps to formally participate (moved by Kissel, seconded by Bailey-Chapman, vote 4-0).

V. **Executive Director Update** – Executive Director James Paul provided an update on charter school applications under review. The applicants are preparing to hold interviews with the PCSB and participate in public forums where residents can learn about the proposed charter schools. A decision on both applications will be made by the end of November.

VI. **Next Meeting and Adjournment** – The next meeting will be November 15, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. The meeting adjourned at 8:29 a.m. (motion by Duncan, second by Bailey-Chapman, 4-0 vote).