

**Peekskill CSD PTO  
Committee Annual End-of-Year Evaluation Form**

Submission Date: 6/4/2018

Month & Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee: Advocacy

Highlights of events/processes that worked well this year:

- Victoria gave a well-received introduction at the first Superintendent's Conference Day
- Met numerous times with Maria Bautista and AQE as well as other parties to discuss Foundation Aid
- Participated in Trunk-or-Treat and helped raise awareness of Foundation Aid
- Scheduled meeting with Senator Murphy to discuss PCSD, Foundation Aid, et al.
- Helped organize and lead successful BOE Candidate's Forum
- Facilitated/coordinated donations to Carmen Vargas and Uriah Hill

Areas in need of improvement & suggestions on how to make improvements:

- Need experienced committee members, as neither Vic nor I had experience or a lot of time
- Had difficulty articulating a vision and clear ideas, in part due to flux of PCSD
- Made little measurable, tangible progress; never met with Senator Murphy, for instance
- Would have been ill-equipped to deal with crisis e.g. rival charter school

Should this committee continue next year in its current form? Why or why not? If not, what changes are recommended?

- Yes, but I think it needs help in goal-setting, vis-à-vis PCSD as well as within the PTO itself – what exactly is advocacy's role?
- How can we increase and invite participation if we lack a platform?

Proposed itemized committee budget for upcoming school year: None

As of 6/5/17

Any other pertinent information necessary for planning:

I have agreed to continue as co-chair again next year, but will need at least a co-chair next year. I will also happily serve as just a part of the committee if others would like to lead.

Submitted by: Eric Rekeda

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