APPROVED

Adelante Schools

Minutes

Adelante Schools Board Meeting

Date and Time
Friday November 17, 2023 at 8:30 AM

Location
Emma Donnan Elementary and Middle School
1202 E Troy Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46203
Scholar Center, Floor 2

Goals:

1. Approve organizational foundational tools and policies to govern our school and operate effectively.
2. Deepen our understanding of Adelante's Emma Donnan operational state and provide any necessary support and guidance.

Directors Present
A. Smith (remote), B. Burcope, K. Kainrath, M. Staten (remote), M. Whitley (remote), N. Frech, R. Scott (remote), S. Simpson (remote)

Directors Absent
None

Guests Present
E. Rangel, M. Rooney

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

K. Kainrath called a meeting of the board of directors of Adelante Schools to order on Friday Nov 17, 2023 at 9:03 AM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Minutes

M. Whitley made a motion to approve the minutes from Adelante Schools Board Meeting <NEW DATE> on 10-27-23.
M. Staten seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
S. Simpson	Aye
A. Smith	Aye
M. Whitley	Aye
N. Frech	Aye
M. Staten	Aye
K. Kainrath	Aye
B. Burcope	Aye
R. Scott	Abstain

II. Executive Director Update

A. Ebullience & Spotlight

Kendra Randle, Executive Principal, was the recipient of a $25,000 Millken Educator Award, a nationwide award celebrating outstanding achievements in education.

Dayla Bedford, 1st grade teacher, was highlighted by Teach Like a Champion's Doug Lemov on a blog titled, "Foundational Literacy isn't easy but Dayla Bedford shows the way."

III. Finance & Operations

A. Consent Vote: Approval of October Transactions

Agenda item to vote on the October transactions need to be tabled because we currently don't have that information available due to the budget updating from last board meeting's vote.

IV. Committee Updates

A. Academic Excellence

No update.

B. Finance & Development

C. Governance

Recruiting
A candidate has agreed to move forward after multiple touch points for the Treasurer position. Has a background in accounting, Hoosier native, and a finance specialist. Has prior non-profit board experience, including setting up schools in Nicaragua. He will be moving forward with a vote at the next board meeting.

Succession Plan
Will be submitted to OEI after review & updates.

V. Board Chair Update

A. OEI Reporting Requirements

Three board members in person are required. Kainrath asked that members review the agenda and do what they can to be in-person to be in compliance with Indiana Open Door Law. Every board member should plan to attend at least 50% of board meetings in person.

Over the next three months, Kainrath will be running 1:1 board member check-ins and will be scheduling those individually with members.
New item:
The board received an "Adopt a Family" email & Scott wanted to follow-up that there isn't a Donate Now button on the website. Another idea is to connect directly with Emma Donnan alumni to build a community of support.

New item:
Staten wanted to ask about the update regarding monthly updates for "board education." A contracted consultant could lean in to support & organize this item from the past meeting.

VI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
N. Frech

We unite in solidarity with our families and community to create a joyous neighborhood school, preparing all scholars to graduate from college and lead lives of leadership and service to Indianapolis