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Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School of Excellence

Minutes

Special Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday February 4, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location
Board Of Trustees is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Board Of Trustees' Zoom Meeting
Time: Feb 4, 2025 05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
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Trustees Present
Alton Jones (remote), Denise Pagan-Vega (remote), Diana Foskett (remote), James Lightfoot (remote), Jennifer Wallace-Johnson (remote), Teremar Rodriguez-Vazquez (remote)

Trustees Absent
Darren James, Kailey Boyd, Kiyota Garcia

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Teremar Rodriguez-Vazquez called a meeting of the board of trustees of Martin Luther King Jr. Charter School of Excellence to order on Tuesday Feb 4, 2025 at 5:35 PM.

II. Board Chair Report

A. Board Discussion and Vote on Resolution regarding school policy to ensure a compliance with recent changes in federal immigration law

Teremar is asking for this meeting so the board can discuss the recent political happenings as it relates to the ICE raids. Diana and Teremar have been attending different informational meetings with the AGs office to learn the students rights and what we can and cannot due. It was brought up that despite what's in the media, there are no mass raids. We would want to have a policy in place in the school before we need it, so staff knows how to respond. There are concerns about the executive orders so this is a good time to review and discuss. Law is clear that every child is entitled to education. There are policies that should be revised like open door policy so add that we welcome visitors for any educational purposes. It was also discussed to get an immigration attorney to consult before we put anything in place. AJ indicated that he wants to highlight

that he has also been in some forums to listen about immigration raids and the can and cant's do. Board members echoed that they don't want to be reactionary but would like to be prepared. Recommendation for front office staff to attend the webinars and become aware of what is going on.

It was also brought up that we adopt the policy that was sent around by a governing body. Kendra spoke about maybe wanting a policy instead of updating the handbook right away. Everyone agreed that we should get an immigration attorney just to be aware of what's going on and network.

Diana Foskett made a motion to adopt a resolution to adopt the Mass Association of Charter Schools model policy for Access to Education, Student Privacy and Immigration Law Enforcement Policy with the following changes 1. that references to immigration law enforcement to amend to law enforcement and that the designees for contact purpose be updated to the Executive Director or designee.
Denise Pagan-Vega seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. 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 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Teremar Rodriguez-Vazquez