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Atlanta Smart Academy

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday May 1, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location

Join Zoom Meeting

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Our monthly **Board Meetings**, unless otherwise noted, will be held the 1st Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom and are open to the public.

Up to 20 minutes will be set aside for public commentary at all board meetings. Those wishing to comment must send a request to the Board Secretary by 12:00pm NOON the day of the board meeting (*lharden@atlantasmartacademy.org*).

Each speaker will have 2 minutes to share with the Board. Speakers will be timed by a member of the Board and notified when time has expired.

The Public Comment period is designed to gain input from the public and not for immediate responses by the Board to the public comment presented. If there are questions or information that you have for the Board, you may also contact one or more of the Board members.

Our monthly **Finance Committee Meetings**, unless otherwise noted, will be held the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom and are open to the public.

Our monthly **Academics and Governance Committee Meetings**, unless otherwise noted, will be held the 3rd Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom and are open to the public.

Directors Present

A. Tolliver (remote), I. Lee, L. Harden (remote), R. Price (remote), S. Fortson (remote), S. Williamson, V. Williams (remote)

Directors Absent

J. Grimes, K. Willingham

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

I. Lee, S. Williamson

Directors who left before the meeting adjourned

V. Williams

Guests Present

Candy (remote), Herve Moukam (remote), Jasmine Robinson (remote), pmeadows@atlantasmartacademy.org (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

I. Lee arrived at 5:46 PM.

B. Call the Meeting to Order

C. Whirl-around

D.

Approve Minutes

S. Fortson made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 04-03-23.

L. Harden seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

E. Approve Special Called Meeting Minutes

S. Fortson made a motion to approve the minutes from Special Called Board Meeting on 04-24-23.

L. Harden seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. FY24 Budget

A. Discussion

Presented by Jasmine Robinson of Avalon

- ASA still running in a deficit
- In total, should have \$497,000 carry over
- ASA needs to evaluate where costs can be cut (I.e; moving staff retreat to school)
- Net loss: \$225,000; no savings or reserves
- Reduced from over \$900k deficit; will continue to review budget to cut costs

S. Williamson arrived at 5:52 PM.

III. Committee Updates

A. Finance Committee

Budget Approval is the main priority. Budget needs to be approved by June 30th.

B. Academics & Governance Committee

Board recently attended Governance training with exception of two board members. Reviewed executive director evaluation which will be finalized and sent out at next meeting.

Noted that P. Meadows did not have a contract for the current school year; did update.

Will provide ED contract for next 2 year term

Reviewed SCSC Performance questionnaire

IV. Executive Director Updates

A. Executive Director Board Report

Academic Updates

- Final Benchmark Assessments in April
- Milestones and MAP assessments occurring in May
- There has been growth in ELA and Math benchmarks across all grade levels
- Tutoring credited in academic growth

Operations Update

- Presented to SCSC last week regarding recruitment and operations updates
- 245 students total including returning students and new applicants
- Goal is to have 300 students enrolled
- Significant numbers of students moved out of state

Human Resources Update

- Sending out contracts for next year
- In hiring process for next year

Finance Update

- Continuing to apply for grants, including nutrition grant
- Met today regarding Reinvestment Fund Loan
- Engaged in budget discussions

Upcoming Events

- Arts Production-May 19th
- 8th Grade Promotion-May 26th

V. Williams left at 6:35 PM.

V. Leave of Absence

A. Vote on Acceptance of Leave for K. Willingham

L. Harden made a motion to to accept K. Willingham's Leave of Absence.

R. Price seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VI. Closing Items

A. Key Dates

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Tolliver

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