

# Paramount Schools of Excellence

# **Minutes**

# Paramount Board of Directors Public Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday April 16, 2024 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

1203 E. St. Clair Street Indianapolis, IN 46202 (Enter through Door 8)

### **Directors Present**

A. Bekele, B. Eldridge, E. Mendez (remote), J. Amu (remote), J. Hazzard, Jr., J. Phillips (remote), M. Bishop

## **Directors Absent**

T. Rude

### **Ex Officio Members Present**

T. Reddicks

# **Non Voting Members Present**

T. Reddicks

# **Guests Present**

Allison Burgeson (remote), Amanda Webb (remote), Anthony Moore (remote), Brent Eskridge (remote), Chase Atkins (remote), D. Burroughs (remote), D. Kelly (remote), D. Taylor (remote), Heather Brooks (remote), Justin Braun (remote), K. Beauchamp, K. Gomez (remote), Keith Thomas (remote), Korry Sherrow (remote), Lakeitra Hayes (remote), Lisa Hopman (remote), Lynise Lucas (remote), M. Laflin (remote), Megan Bouckley (remote), Robyn Rutar (remote),

Scott Sims, Stefanie Hanes (remote), Tara Gustin, Tiffany Palacios (remote), Tony Brose (remote)

# I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance and Guests

### B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Amu called a meeting of the board of directors of Paramount Schools of Excellence to order on Tuesday Apr 16, 2024 at 5:32 PM.

#### **II. Public Comments**

#### A. Public Comments

No members of the public were present.

### III. Consent Agenda Review and Approval

### A. Review and Approve Minutes

- J. Amu made a motion to approve the minutes from Paramount Board of Directors Public Meeting on 03-19-24.
- J. Hazzard, Jr. seconded the motion.

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

# **B.** Voucher Approval

Each consent agenda includes minutes from the prior meeting and the monthly financial packet, including monthly vouchers.

#### **IV. New Business**

#### A. Authorization for Alternate Services and Private Residential Placement

- J. Amu made a motion to approve the authorization for the Director of Special Education as a designee who can sign for alternate services and private residential placement.
- J. Hazzard, Jr. seconded the motion.

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

#### B. Vote on Grade Level Reconfiguration for Lafayette and South Bend

- J. Amu made a motion to approve the grade level reconfiguration for South Bend and Lafayette for calendar year 2024-2025.
- B. Eldridge seconded the motion.

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

### C. Vote on Open Door Policy

M. Bishop made a motion to approve the updated open door policy as distributed.

A. Bekele seconded the motion.

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

# V. Operations Reports

### A. Navigation Team Reports

Renovations on the Lafayette building are underway to add additional classrooms for growth at that site. In addition, modular installation plans are moving forward to expand the South Bend campus for the 24-25 school year.

# **B.** School Operations Report

ILEARN testing is underway. School leaders and teachers are working hard to showcase the hard work they have put in throughout the year.

# 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 5:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Amu

# **B.** Next Meeting

May 21st @ 5:30 pm

Zoom Link: <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81567255132">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81567255132</a>

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# VII. Committees

### A. Governance Committee

The governance committee reviewed suggested edits to the SRO, internet safety, leader succession, and gift acceptance policies.

# **B.** Finance Committee

The finance committee reviewed the PSOE budget.