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# Legacy Schools Board of Directors

## Minutes

### Legacy Prep Board of Directors meeting

April Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Tuesday April 11, 2023 at 4:30 PM

#### **Location**

Legacy Prep  
1500 Daniel Payne Drive  
Bessemer, AL 35022

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Legacy Prep Board of Director's Meeting

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#### **Directors Present**

Adrienne Brooks, Earlisha Williams, LaTasha Nix, Orazio Mancarella, Ruqayyah Abdullah

#### **Directors Absent**

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#### **Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

Earlisha Williams, LaTasha Nix

#### **Guests Present**

Carol Hollis

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

Ruqayyah Abdullah called a meeting of the board of directors of Legacy Schools Board of Directors to order on Tuesday Apr 11, 2023 at 4:38 PM.

Due to not having a quorum, the business portion of the meeting was delayed.

Dr. Reneta Johnson, Head of Schools gave a state of the schools presentation. She reminded us of our mission, vision and core values. She shared the following points:

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#### **D. Approve Agenda**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to approve the agenda.

Adrienne Brooks seconded the motion.

CALL TO ORDER AT 5:01

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

#### **E. Approve the Minutes**

Adrienne Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes from Legacy Prep Board of Directors meeting on 03-14-23.

Orazio Mancarella seconded the motion.

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

Earlisha Williams arrived at 5:04 PM.

### **II. Academic Committee**

#### **A. Summer Program Update**

Dr. Johnson updated the board on plans for the LP Summer Program

- K-3 will be Literacy Camp
- Grades 4-5 will be Math Camp
- Scholars will be invited to attend based on data from testing
- @ 100 scholars will be invited
- Dates are June 5 - June 27
- Guides will work Monday - Thursday and Friday will be enrichment provided by AG Gaston Boys and Girls Club

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to approve the Summer Program for 2023.

Earlisha Williams seconded the motion.

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

#### **B. Calendar 2023 - 2024**

Adrienne Brooks made a motion to approve the proposed calendar for the 2023-24 school year.

Orazio Mancarella seconded the motion.  
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **C. ACAP Update**

Dr. Johnson reported that ACAP test were going well. Our goal is 100% scholar participation.

## **III. Governance Committee**

### **A. Facilities Updates**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to to go into an Executive Session at 6:20 pm. No approvals or motion were made.

Earlisha Williams seconded the motion.

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

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to authority to negotiate on a lease with Daniel Payne within the terms discussed in Executive Session.

LaTasha Nix seconded the motion.

Board called out of executive session and into regular session at 6:53

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

### **B. Level Field**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to Level Playing Field for Scope A.

Earlisha Williams seconded the motion.

Dr. Johnson was asked for her feedback on Level Playing Field. She would encourage them to make more progress/quicker pace.

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

### **C. Board Retreat and Other Learning Opportunities**

Board Chair, Mrs. Abdullah shared several learning opportunities for board members.

She asked them to check their calendars and look over the workshops and conferences being offered.

### **D. Board Membership**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Reginald Chapple for board membership.

Adrienne Brooks seconded the motion.

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

## **IV. Finance Committee**

### **A. February Financial Reports**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to approve the financial statements based on bank reconciliations for the month ending February 28, 2023.

LaTasha Nix seconded the motion.

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

**B. Personnel/Staffing**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to to approve the hire of (2) guides for the addition of 6th grade, and (1) K-3 to replace a guide who is not returning.

LaTasha Nix seconded the motion.

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

**C. Bylaws**

Orazio Mancarella made a motion to adopt the changes to the bylaws that will reflect the addition of a President-Elect and Immediate Past President as Board offices.

LaTasha Nix seconded the motion.

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

**V. 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 6:56 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Hollis