



# One City Schools

# **Minutes**

# **Board Meeting**

## **Date and Time**

Tuesday August 25, 2020 at 4:00 PM

#### Location

This meeting is being held virtually only.

#### **Directors Present**

C. Gaines (remote), G. Derzon (remote), G. Ladson-Billings (remote), J. Krupp (remote), J. Lee (remote), J. Pope-Williams (remote), L. McDonald (remote), R. Beckman (remote), S. Martyniak (remote), T. Balsiger (remote), T. Pedracine (remote), W. Akhtar (remote)

## **Directors Absent**

N. Wray

#### **Ex Officio Members Present**

K. Caire (remote)

# **Non Voting Members Present**

K. Caire (remote)

## **Guests Present**

C. Hodge (remote), D. Stephan (remote), F. D'Abell (remote), J. Tormey (remote), L. Allen (remote), M. Ruffin (remote)

# I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

# B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Krupp called a meeting of the board of directors of One City Schools to order on Tuesday Aug 25, 2020 at 4:04 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

- R. Beckman made a motion to approve the minutes from One City Regular Board Meeting on 07-28-20.
- L. McDonald seconded the motion.

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

# II. Annual Budget

# A. Kaleem and staff will present and seek approval for the 2020-2021 proposed annual budget.

- J. Krupp made a motion to approve the 2020-2021 budget.
- G. Ladson-Billings seconded the motion.

Finance Chair Robert Beckman led a summary of major provisions of the 2020-2021 annual budget. This included a review of changes in projected income and expenses as compared to last fiscal year. Board Vice Chairman Joe Krupp asked how the budget was impacted by the proposed lease. Member Salli Martyniak noted the budget is still somewhat fluid as a result of Covid. There as general consensus by CEO Caire and the Board that, despite our stronger balance now, we have to pay close attention to the burn rate to protect the organization long-term.

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

# **III. New Facility**

- A. CEO Caire will outline the current state of the proposed facility and ask for support in proceeding on a one year lease for the 2020-2021 school year.
  - R. Beckman made a motion to allow a one one-year lease to be signed with approval of the Board and Finance Chairs.
  - G. Ladson-Billings seconded the motion.

Board members discussed the significant opportunities presented by leasing the ground floor of 450 Coyier Lane, especially given how close to the start of the school year is. Board Members expressed concerns with the short time of the contract as well as the possibility of paying rent in the event of a shut down due to Covid. There was consensus that this is the best option for One City at this time.

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

# IV. One City Parent Board Member Input

# A. Members of the Board who are also One City parents will have an opportunity to share an update with the full Board.

Parent Member Wajiha Ahktar thanks the Board for creating space for parents on the agenda. She acknowledged the work Parent Member Toya Pedracine is doing to reestablish the Parent Council and the intent to use the Council to help bring forward concerns as well as their solutions.

# 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 5:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Krupp

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