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Equitas Academy Charter School

Minutes

Governance Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday May 13, 2021 at 2:00 PM

Location
Nadine Peters is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.
Topic: Governance Committee Meeting
Time: May 13, 2021 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
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Committee Members Present
C. Casey (remote), F. Spindler (remote), M. Borrego (remote), N. Orlando (remote), O. Bajracharya (remote), T. Bell (remote)

Committee Members Absent
None

Committee Members who arrived after the meeting opened
M. Borrego, O. Bajracharya

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Bell called a meeting of the Governance Committee of Equitas Academy Charter School to order on Thursday May 13, 2021 at 2:01 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

F. Spindler made a motion to approve the minutes from Governance Committee Meeting on 04-22-21.
T. Bell seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Borrego	Absent
F. Spindler	Aye
N. Orlando	Abstain
O. Bajracharya	Absent
T. Bell	Aye
C. Casey	Abstain

D.

Public Comment

No members of the public present.

II. Governance

A. Board Slate 21-22

F. Spindler called every board member and discussed
-commitment to Board and roles on Committees
-recruitment of new members
-what improvements are needed

Board impressions/responses
-passionate about education, passionate about Equitas
-diverse group of professionals
-good feedback about board experience
-needs for improvement: engagement amongst board members, questions about board member roles and accountability (Prabhu could help governance committee develop accountability for board), more discussion oriented meetings

Board Chair query
-board feedback strongly in favor of Tyler Bell as chair
-develop board succession plan
-Deepa and Catie interested in growing in roles as board members as needs of organization grow

Meeting frequency
-committee meetings 50/50 split for quarterly vs monthly meetings
-board interested in monthly meetings

Slate for FY22 as presented by GC to Board
Chair: Tyler Bell
Vice Chair: Deepa Krishna (Tyler having convo with her 1st)
Treasurer: Prabhu Reddy
Secretary: Catie Langston (Oliver having convo with her 1st)
RD: Deepa Krishna
Academic: Alyssa, Oliver
Governance: Frank, Tyler
Finance: Prabhu, Aaron, Brett
CEO Eval: Aaron, Oliver, Tyler, Prabhu (Tyler or Frank having convo with him 1st)
Audit: Oliver
Facilities: ask Maggie
M. Borrego arrived at 2:15 PM.

B.

Dashboard Data

T. Bell presented dashboard data to the committee. Academic committee has one member. Plans to communicate with RD Committee to have coordinated message to communicate urgency on board give/get status. Governance to share give/get status with board at May board meeting.
O. Bajracharya arrived at 2:09 PM.

C. Annual Board Retreat

D. Equitas Board Committee Goals

N. Orlando reminded committee about reporting out on committee goals.

E. 21-22 Board Meeting Calendar

T. Bell asking Board to get out their calendars and make decisions at next board meeting.

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 3:13 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
T. Bell