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## Harmony Public Schools

### Minutes

#### Governance Committee Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Friday October 15, 2021 at 1:00 PM

**Location**

Harmony Public Schools  
9321 W. Sam Houston Pkwy S.  
Houston, TX 77099

\*\*\*\*Meeting will be held in 4th Floor Life Size Room\*\*\*

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**Committee Members Present**

F. Ay, H. Koc, H. Stewart, O. Celepcikay

**Committee Members Absent**

*None*

**Guests Present**

C. Lambert

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**I. Opening Items****A. Call the Meeting to Order**

O. Celepcikay called a meeting of the Governance Committee Committee of Harmony Public Schools to order on Friday Oct 15, 2021 at 1:04 PM.

**B.**

## **Record Attendance and Guests**

### **II. Professional Development Opportunities for Board Members**

#### **A. Professional Development Opportunities for Board Members**

Dr. Celepickay presents professional Developments Opportunities for Board Members. He informs the committee there is a training at Harvard for board members and Mr. Stewart will be attending. Dr. Celepcikay also mentions that Rice University also has a training for non-profit organizations. We will be on the look out for these opportunities for our board members.

Mr. Stewart states that next week starting on Thursday, he will be attending Excellence in Governance non-profit for Harvard University. This will be held via zoom and participants will be from all over the country as well as several international participants. The registration fee is around three thousand dollars which is a reimbursable expense.

Mr. Ay states that we will do our research and bring those options to the next Governance Committee meeting. He states that whole board training is beneficial, however, differentiating the training options will allow our board members to select based upon their needs.

Dr. Celepcikay states the goal for our next governance committee meeting is to have options regarding available training.

### **III. New Board Member Search**

#### **A. New Board Member Search**

Dr. Celepcikay informs the committee that he and Mr. Ay had some communications regarding replacing Ms. Morales's open board position. Preferably we would like to replace Daisy with a diverse applicant who fits our boards needs.

Mr. Ay states that we have a candidate who is a former alumni. She has worked at local non-profit organizations and she is currently doing community work. We feel like as a college prep organization having someone representing our alumni will set a great goal to serve as a role model as well. In regard to diversity she would be one of our youngest members.

Mr. Stewart asks what year she graduated and Mr. Ay believes over ten years ago. Dr. Celepcikay states she was recommended from our alumni department, specifically Mr. Berkan Kaya.

This former alumni/candidate graduated from Tufts University, is trilingual, and even worked for United Against Human Trafficking.

Currently we don't have a date scheduled to meet with her but wanted to bring it to the governance committee first. We will look to schedule a meeting with her and hopefully all four Governance members can be in attendance for this meeting.

#### **IV. Closing Items**

##### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

H. Stewart made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

H. Koc seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Lambert