

MS Delta Academies

Minutes

Board of Directors of MS Delta Academies

Date and Time

Monday September 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location

virtual

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83885678291?pwd=UDZ5UXNaZDNSNWxJYW9SSEx5UUVRQT09>

Meeting ID: 838 8567 8291

Passcode: 580498

Directors Present

Emily Cupples (remote), Erica Plybeah Hemphill (remote), Erin Mulligan (remote), Jacquelyn Brownlow (remote), McKinley Martin (remote), Williams Brack (remote)

Directors Absent

Cassandra Hansbrough

Guests Present

Ann Krafcik, Katie Wise (remote), Tamala Shaw, Tosha Boyd

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

Emily Cupples called a meeting of the board of directors of MS Delta Academies to order on Monday Sep 11, 2023 at 5:35 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Approve Agenda

McKinley Martin made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Erica Plybeah Hemphill seconded the motion.

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

D. Approve Minutes

Williams Brack made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Retreat on 06-26-23.

Erin Mulligan seconded the motion.

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

II. Financial Report

A. Expenditures over \$5,000

Katie Wise from GT3 Group presented the expenditures over \$5K.

B. Review and Approve Financial Reports

Katie Wise presented the financials through the end of July 2023, including highlights.

She also presented the debt covenants and the organization's compliance status. Ms.

Wise also discussed the status of the annual audit.

McKinley Martin made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented.

Williams Brack seconded the motion.

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

III. Executive Director's Report

A. General Updates

Dr. Shaw shared enrollment updates and the possibility of submitting a charter amendment regarding enrollment targets. Board members asked clarifying questions. Ms. Wise shared additional information about the budget impact.

Dr. Shaw shared personnel updates and plans for the retirement plans, as well as an update about the new bus and the outstanding bus loan.

She shared an update on BoardOnTrack and the Executive Director evaluation process.

She also shared preliminary, embargoed information about the grade Leflore Legacy will receive from the state.

McKinley Martin made a motion to improve the enrollment target updates dependent on the cash model showing it to be viable. If the enrollment change is a viable financial option as stated in the motion, it will be submitted to the charter office in time for their October meeting.

Williams Brack seconded the motion.

New enrollment target will be 225. Amendment will be submitted to MCSAB for their board's review and vote in October.

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

Erin Mulligan made a motion to approve Value Teachers as the new contractor for retirement plans and the update the current retirement policy.

Erica Plybeah Hemphill seconded the motion.

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

IV. Committee Reports

A. Development Committee

The members discussed their schedules and determined the Vision Meeting should be scheduled for January or February.

B. Governance Committee

Mr. Martin shared that Emily Cupples and Jacquelyn Brownlow both wish to renew as board members. He also shared the name and background of a board member prospect.

Williams Brack made a motion to renew the board membership of Emily Cupples and Jacquelyn Brownlow.

Erin Mulligan seconded the motion.

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

V. Closing Items

A. Next Meeting Date & Topics

Next meeting scheduled for Oct. 16th at 5:30pm.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tamala Shaw