

# MS Delta Academies

## Minutes

### Board of Directors of MS Delta Academies

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#### Date and Time

Monday October 16, 2023 at 5:30 PM

#### Location

virtual

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#### Directors Present

Cassandria Hansbrough (remote), Emily Cupples (remote), Erica Plybeah Hemphill (remote), Erin Mulligan (remote), Williams Brack (remote)

#### Directors Absent

Jacquelyn Brownlow, McKinley Martin

#### Guests Present

Amy Tinsale (remote), Ann Krafcik, Katie Wise (remote), Lisa Karmacharya (remote), Tamala Shaw (remote), Yuna Shin (remote)

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### 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 Oct 16, 2023 at 5:39 PM.

#### B. Record Attendance

#### C. Approve Agenda

Dr. Shaw requested adding Board on Track update to the agenda.

Cassandra Hansbrough made a motion to accept the agenda with an amendment to add Board on Track update.

Williams Brack seconded the motion.

Added Board on Track update

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

#### **D. Approve Minutes**

Erin Mulligan made a motion to approve the minutes from Board of Directors of MS Delta Academies on 09-11-23.

Erica Plybeah Hemphill seconded the motion.

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

### **II. Board Chair/Vice Chair's Report**

#### **A. Board on Track Updates by Yuna Shin**

Yuna Shin gave an overview of the Board on Track system and best practices for how to use it.

### **III. Financial Report**

#### **A. Review and Approve Financial Reports**

Katie Wise of GT3 provided financial updates. She let the board know the annual financial audit has been completed. She also provided an update on the transition from Quickbooks to Marathon. She let the board know the monthly reports are delayed and will be emailed to members and posted to Board on Track when ready.

### **IV. Executive Director's Report**

#### **A. General Updates**

Dr. Shaw shared an enrollment update - Month 1 report. She also offered updates on teacher licensure and certification status. MVSU is working with the school to offer weekly professional development with CEU credits for the next 5 weeks.

Dr. Shaw offered an update on the school's State of Mississippi Accountability Score and appeal status. She also spoke to how frequency of assessments and focus on the bottom 25% of students, plus adding more Saturday School and intervention opportunities, to improve the score next year.

Dr. Shaw shared some student recruitment and retention strategies, including a Shadow Day opportunity.

### **V. MS Whole School Opportunity**

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### **MS Whole School Opportunity**

Erin Mulligan provided an overview of Mississippi Whole Schools, a program of the MS Arts Commission. She detailed some of the benefits of the program, and shared that program representatives will be visiting the school on November 10th. Board members posed questions and discussed.

## **VI. Closing Items**

### **A. Next Meeting Date & Topics**

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, Nov. 13th 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