



## Edison School of the Arts

### Minutes

#### Board Meeting

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**Date and Time**

Tuesday September 17, 2019 at 5:30 PM

**Location**

Edison School of the Arts

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**Edison School of the Arts mission** is to continue to be an educational and artful resource for all students, parents, community, and staff members by consistent and focused professional development, invitational practices by all, utilizing quarterly and annual reviews. We will continue to develop our educational and arts aesthetic by expanding our arts experiences, exposure, and partnerships

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**Directors Present**

E. Disney-Britton, G. Wallis, K. Feeney-Caito, K. Marshall, T. Givens

**Directors Absent**

T. Overdorf

**Ex Officio Members Present**

N. Tuttle

**Non Voting Members Present**

N. Tuttle

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## **Guests Present**

A. Berns, Andrea Rommen, Angelia Moore, C. Jones

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Call the Meeting to Order**

E. Disney-Britton called a meeting of the board of directors of Edison School of the Arts to order on Tuesday Sep 17, 2019 at 5:31 PM.

### **B. Record Attendance and Guests**

### **C. Adoption of the Agenda**

T. Givens made a motion to Adopt Agenda.

K. Feeney-Caito seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Opening Comments**

### **A. Board Member Comments (2-min each)**

There weren't any opening board member comments.

### **B. Public Comment (3-min each)**

There weren't any opening public comments.

## **III. Consent Agenda**

### **A. August Minutes**

G. Wallis made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 08-20-19 Board Meeting on 08-20-19.

K. Feeney-Caito seconded the motion.

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

## **IV. Board Chair Report**

### **A. Monthly Board Chair Report**

E. Disney-Britton presented the board chair report.

IPS Board Meeting

- Recommended that Edison have bi-monthly board meetings similar to IPS schedule.
- The bi-monthly schedule will allow the board to alternative between committee and business actions for future planning.
- Praised Edison staff at the IPS board meeting for their delivery of their report to the school board.

#### Update on Strategic Plan

- E. Disney-Britton is continuing to work with Debbie Lister, Charter Board Partners, to plan the board retreat for strategic planning. The board will be notified when a date for the board retreat is scheduled.

#### Board Chair and Executive Director

- E. Disney-Britton met with N. Tuttle on September 10th for their monthly one on one meeting.
- Discussed challenges of disciplinary actions within school and upcoming assessments.

#### Community Relations

- Butler Center for the Arts will pursue the idea of hosting an arts integration conference.
  - Edison will be apart of the planning process for the conference.
- Edison has received positive feedback from community members about National Arts in Education Week events.

#### Board Agenda Format

- The consent agenda item will be changed to the adoption of the agenda.
- The Executive Director report will be at the end of the agenda.

### **V. Executive Director Report**

#### **A. Progress Report**

N. Tuttle presented the attached Executive Director's monthly report.

- Diversity Dashboard
  - The staff diversity dashboard highlights the growth in male teacher instruction due to hiring of a social worker and k-8th grade visual and graphic design teacher.
- Arts Integration

- Families and community partners including Indianapolis Public School Supertendant, Butler Art Center, Indianapolis Opera and Mayor Hogsett's office attended events during National Arts in Education Week.
  - The Gallery Walk included classroom arts integration tours.
  - There was family activities and press coverage during the Community Arts Night.

## **VI. Academic Excellence Committee**

### **A. Dashboard Report**

K. Marshall presented the attached academic dashboard.

- This is Edison's 3rd year of restorative practices and staff are applying strategies.
- Social and emotional needs of students are being addressed by the teachers and Behavior Adjustment Facilitators.

#### Assessment

- The 3rd grade students have taken the IREAD practice test.
- The ILEARN assessment will determine if student's have mastered content.
- Clare Wildhack-Nolan from Peace Learning Center contributed by providing strategies that balanced academic support with social and emotional practices.
  - Implement a monthly acknowledgement of student achievement.
  - The class Dojo system will lead to a September 27th event that celebrates positive student behavior.
- The academic committee will identify any specific grade level trends and support needed for students' academic success.

## **VII. Advancement Committee**

### **A. Report**

K. Feeney-Caito presented the attached academic advancement committee.

#### Family Engagement

- There has been growth in family attendance at Town Hall events.
- Edison received press coverage during National Arts in Education Week to boost public image and interest in Edison.

#### Community Partnerships

- Media Coverage

- Community Health Network sponsored a Community Hero award and selected student Ava Durham. The segment will air tomorrow night on Fox News.
- The Edison arts integration news segment will air on CBS 4 on Monday, September 30th between 5:00-5:30 am and 6:15-6:30 am.
- Lilly Day of Service
  - T. Givens requested the date for Lilly Day of Service.
    - K. Feeney-Caito responded that Lilly Day of Service will be held on Thursday, September 26th at Edison.

#### Enrollment

- ADM
  - The current student enrollment is 619 students.
  - Edison staff is evaluating the enrollment data including student attendance in programs such as Step Ahead Students, Home Bound and Phoenix Academy.
  - E. Disney- Britton requested that the academic committee report the finalized ADM results to the board.

### **VIII. Facilities & Safety Committee**

#### **A. Report**

T. Givens presented the attached facilities and safety committee report.

#### Safety Upgrades Update

- IPS Referendum
  - T. Givens requested that IPS be contacted to add hardening on interior windows near door entrances.
  - Once upgrades are complete the finance committee will contact the insurance agency to re-evaluate coverage.

#### Update on Policies

- G. Wallis requested that the Emergency Management Crisis Response Plan include steps to contact the insurance agency to provide additional support.

#### **B. Facility Rental Policy**

T. Givens made a motion to adopt the facility rental policy.  
K. Feeney-Caito seconded the motion.

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

## **IX. Governance**

### **A. Report**

#### Board Retreat

- The October 12th board retreat will be rescheduled. E. Disney-Britton and T. Stuart-Overdorf will inform the board of the date.

## **X. Finance Committee**

### **A. July & August 2019 Financial Statements**

G. Wallis presented the finance report.

- The board will not be voting on the financial statements this board meeting. The attached July and August financials are the first set of financial statements of the fiscal year.
  - Budget line items of TRF and PERF expenses are being reviewed.
  - There will be a reclassification of expenses such as curriculum, spirit wear and art supplies towards the Walton Family Fund.
  - There will be a reallocation of expenses towards professional development.
- Cash is comparable to the previous school year.

Statement of Activity: General Fund

- Total net revenue \$162,308.
  - Title I funds of \$18,338 were received in August.

### **B. 2018-2019 Audit**

Donovan CPA

- The audit will take place on October 15th-16th.
- The 2018 audit summary will be uploaded to the public portal on Board on Track.

## **XI. 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 6:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Disney-Britton

E. Disney-Britton made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

T. Givens seconded the motion.

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

**B. Important Board Dates**