



# E.L. Haynes Public Charter School

## Minutes

### April 2024 Board Meeting

---

#### Date and Time

Tuesday April 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM

#### Location

E.L. Haynes Public Charter School  
4501 Kansas Avenue, NW  
High School - Think Tank  
Washington, DC 20011

---

#### Trustees Present

F. Sutton, G. Navidi-Kasmai, J. Hanna, K. Simpkins, L. Carlton Waller, L. Robinson Mills (remote), M. Hall, M. Kovner, N. Greene (remote), R. Payes, T. Gibian

#### Trustees Absent

L. Johnson-Law, R. Laine

#### Guests Present

A. Brooks, Basil Chawkat, Candace Cunningham, DiAnte McGriff, Dominique Moore, Gwyn Prater (remote), H. Darilek, J. Callahan, Katherine Wynne, P. Rayamajhi, R. Hunt Taylor, Shereen Williams, Tashiyra Freeman (remote)

---

### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B.

### **Call the Meeting to Order**

L. Carlton Waller called a meeting of the board of trustees of E.L. Haynes Public Charter School to order on Tuesday Apr 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

### **C. Approve Minutes**

F. Sutton made a motion to approve the minutes from February 2024 Board Meeting on 02-15-24.

R. Payes seconded the motion.

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

### **D. Public Comment**

No public comment submitted.

## **II. CEO Update**

### **A. CEO Update**

Hilary Darilek, presented her CEO Update

#### **PCSB Five-Year Review:**

- Went before charter school board last night; issued a report recommending renewal for next 5 years
- Raised concerns about the MS performance and suggested a QSR (condition for yearly review)
- Pushed back on suggestion of yearly condition with support from Core leadership and academic teams
- Public hearing also included discussion about ASPIRE framework
- Board voted 4-2 to continue charter without condition
- Reflections:
- Lisa: Was very impressed with the way Hilary and Rikki spoke with and engaged with the board

#### **Enrollment Update:**

- Officially in enrollment season; families can complete every part of the process online
- Have officially enrolled 138 families; waitlists for every grade level

## **III. School Performance Committee**

### **A.**

## MSA Accreditation Recommendation

Rikki Hunt Taylor (RHT) presented the School Performance Committee update:

### Middle States Accreditation Team visit:

- Submitted action plans prior to visit; visitors were very impressed with what they saw
- Were also impressed with the resources students had, sense of community on campus, and impressed with plans to address gaps
- Officially reaccredited for another 7 years

## B. ASPIRE Overview

### ASPIRE Framework:

- 2011 DC PCSB used Performance Management Framework (PMF) as public facing school quality report
- DC PCSB will work with school LEAs about school- specific metrics that will be negotiated with PCSB
- ASPIRE is not yet finalized; also concern about capacity to implement new framework
- PCSB feels really strongly about wanting to have their own framework that is not dependent on OSSE
- Still lots of unanswered questions and won't be finalized until June
- ASPIRE comprised of 5 frameworks ( Pre-K only, Pre-K - 8, HS, Adult, and Alternative (has didn't measures that add up to final score up to 5
- 5 categories: **school progress** (students' academic growth), **achievement** (how well school prepare students for academic success; points for growing a student to proficiency), **environment** (absenteeism), and **performance** (measures qualities specific to school mission and program/ model)
- Environment is more weighted in the HS because of the stronger potential for absenteeism
- Subgroups have different weights; and acknowledges the factors that may contribute to some groups over others; some push back against the current weighted subgroups
- Score is the percent of the total points earned (1- highest score; 5 the lowest score)
- Received preliminary report based on the 90 possible points

## IV. Governance Committee

### A. SY 23-24 Board Recruitment Update and Next Steps

Roshelle Payes presented our current needs for the upcoming school year, with regards to board recruitment. Board members should continue to review their networks. The

Governance Committee has also been reaching out to board members for renewal terms and extensions and we will vote on those resolutions at the coming May meeting.

**B. Discuss and VOTE to approve Jennie Niles to Board of Trustees**

R. Payes made a motion to Elect Jennie Niles to the E.L. Haynes Board of Trustees effective July 1, 2024.

M. Hall seconded the motion.

Roshelle Payes presented Jennie Niles' candidacy for E.L. Haynes Board of Trustees.

Members of the governance committee supported the motion.

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

**V. Community Relations Committee**

**A. Annual Fund Update**

Fonda Sutton: We have officially surpassed our FY24 Annual Fund goal. As we look to continue to push for Individual Giving through the end of the fiscal year, Joe Callahan and I will be reaching out to board members about how they can help.

**B. Upcoming Campus Activities for Board Participation**

Fonda Sutton: Reminder that there are lots of opportunities for board members to engage in the school community. FS endorsed the 10th Grade Career Shadow Day and Hilary Darilek noted that board members will also receive invitations to the June 12 Staff Awards Ceremony.

**VI. Audit, Finance, and Facilities**

**A. FY25 Budget Update**

**B. FY25 Mayor's Education Budget**

Fonda Sutton briefly presented on the Mayor's proposed budget.

- Mayor officially released budget last week; have been lots of hearings for budget advocacy
- Headlines: 12% Increase in UPSFF; also increase in charter facilities allotment; however, the charter facilities allotment is repealed in 25-26 and beyond. There will be an opportunity for advocacy there.
- Other good investments include high impact tutoring, and reimagining High Schools
- Toughest hit was elimination of ECE Equity fund

## **VII. Closed Session**

### **A. Personnel Discussion**

L. Carlton Waller made a motion to move into closed session to discuss a personnel matter.

M. Kovner seconded the motion.

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

## **VIII. 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 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. Gibian