APPROVED

The Exploris School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday December 13, 2016 at 4:30 PM

Location
Exploris Middle School campus - 401 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh NC

Directors Present
B. Kingery, C. Cunningham, C. Gray, C. Hutchens, J. Frawley, J. Gerdts, K. Byars-Nichols, M. Mitchell-Neal, T. Miller (remote)

Directors Absent
K. Furr, M. Fields

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened
C. Cunningham, M. Mitchell-Neal

Directors who left before the meeting adjourned
T. Miller

Ex Officio Members Present
L. Perry-Lawless

Guests Present
R. Wingo

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

Attendance was taken

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Gerdts called a meeting of the board of directors of The Exploris School to order on Tuesday Dec 13, 2016 at 4:37 PM.

C. Approve Agenda

J. Gerdts made a motion to Approve agenda with addition of update to ED Evaluation by Keely.
K. Byars-Nichols seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting

K. Byars-Nichols made a motion to Approve minutes form last meeting Board Meeting on 11-15-16.
B. Kingery seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
C. Cunningham arrived.

II. Presentation

A. Board Assessment and Next Steps

Dave covered general purpose of Assessment. He walked us through a general overview of results, and made suggestions for areas to work on and set goals around.
M. Mitchell-Neal arrived.

III. Governance

A. Discuss Board Numbers

Tom reports that we currently have 13 members, including 2 non-voting. James suggests that we need members with experience in fund raising. We further discussed adding one person as soon as we could, if he or she fit this skill set.

Tom also expressed concern about being sure that our finance committee was fully staffed, too, moving forward.

IV. ED's Report

A.

School staffing

C. Cunningham made a motion to approval to hire Emily Lopez Felker.
K. Byars-Nichols seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
K. Byars-Nichols made a motion to approve the re-assignment of Karen Rectanus from part-time instructional coach to full-time teacher to replace Megan Hill, until the end of academic year.
T. Miller seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.
Summer provided information about teacher turnover to show that this past year is not inconsistent with past four years: 2011-2012: 15.7%, 2012-2013: 22.2%, 2013-2014: 10%, 2014-2015: 10.8%, 2015-2016: 15.7%, 2016-2017: yet unknown (3 so far/7.32%).
T. Miller left.

V. Facilities

A. Update on new facility design

Summer gave a general overview of new building site, including some general plans for outdoor spaces and very brief plans for building itself.

VI. Closing Items

A. Future Agenda Items

Keely gave an overview of the ED Evaluation process. We will probably be finished with this process by next meeting.
Summer and Cal offered some feedback about the foundation name: The Exploris Foundation.
Facilities will give a more detailed update next meeting.
Any items pushed from November meeting will be addressed next meeting.
Summer asked that the Governance Committee vet any potential board members to present in January.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Gerdts