



The Exploris School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday June 16, 2020 at 4:30 PM

Directors Present

A. Rodriguez, C. Greer-Banks, C. Hutchens, C. Jones, D. Deaton, E. Schollmeyer, G. Burnette, J. Hwang, K. Byars-Nichols, K. Johnson, S. Darroch, T. Kingsberry

Directors Absent

J. Korreck, K. Hogan, T. Miller

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

G. Burnette

Guests Present

A. Northrup, Ashley Moser, Callie Kirsch, D. Brown, Devon Rose, K. Morgan, Lisa Ferrando, M. Duncan, M. Parkerson, Renee Anderson, T. Simmons

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

- C. Jones called a meeting of the board of directors of The Exploris School to order on Tuesday Jun 16, 2020 at 4:30 PM.
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B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Approve Minutes from last board meeting

- C. Hutchens made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 05-26-20.
- C. Jones seconded the motion.

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

D. Public Comment

Ashley Moser spoke to urge the board to prioritize the mental health of our students in the budget, especially in light of the increased needs due to the pandemic.

II. Board Business

A. Board Business

Camesha thanked Christine for her service.

B. Board Officer Vote

The board voted unanimously to move this item to later in the agenda: after ILT report.

Keely listed nominees for officers as follows: Theo Kingsberry for Board Chair, George Burnette for Vice Chair, Alannah Rodriguez and Steven Darroch as co-officers for Treasurer.

- C. Jones made a motion to approve nominated officers as presented above.
- K. Byars-Nichols seconded the motion.

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

III. Interim Leadership Team Report

A. Personnel/ Operations / Academics

Personnel:

- Board approval is requested to accept the resignation of kindergarten teacher, Jessica Thorn, effective at the end of the 19-20 school year.
- Board approval is requested to accept the resignation of Teaching Partner, Harry Huntley, effective at the end of the 19-20 school year.
- Board approval is requested to approve the appointment of all returning staff for the 2020-2021 school year
- C. Jones made a motion to accept personnel changes as presented.
- T. Kingsberry seconded the motion.

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

Operation Issues:

- Amanda gave an update on Interim Leadership Team meetings and communications strategies.
- Deb gave an update from the Re-opening Task Force.
- Amanda gave an update on new cleaning and disinfecting both campuses, as well as recent steps taken to protect the Middle campus from damage during recent protests.

Academic Updates:

• Deb reported on Spring achievement reports, 8th grade Passage Portfolios and other End of Year Celebrations.

B. Finance

Koren updated the board on End of Year Budget Numbers.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Facilities

Theo and Leah updated the board on potential properties.

B. Governance Summer Work

Deb updated the group that the committee is working on various personnel issues.

C. Development

D. Education Excellence

Katie updated the board on what the EEC is currently working on, and asked for volunteers to serve on the committee for the upcoming school year. She then turned it over to Amanda and Deb to present on the academic status of Exploris.

G. Burnette arrived.

Amanda presented thorough and enlightening information on how Exploris provides excellent academic experiences to its community members. Most notably, she presented that mental health needs to addressed moving forward (as it relates to core value of RELATIONSHIPS).

E. Finance Committee

Christine reported that she is working with Steven and Alannah on effectively transitioning finance committee items.

V. 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 6:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, C. Jones