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The Exploris School

Minutes

Regular

Date and Time
Tuesday January 26, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Location
Board meetings are currently virtual until further notice.

Deb Brown is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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Topic: Exploris School Board Mtg
Time: Jan 26, 2021 04:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)
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Directors Present
A. Rodriguez, D. Deaton, D. Kain, G. Burnette, J. Hwang, J. Korreck, K. Byars-Nichols, S. Darroch, T. Kingsberry, T. Miller

Directors Absent
K. Hogan

Guests Present
A. Northrup, C. Greer-Banks, Callie Kirsch, Deb Brown, Koren Morgan, Leah Perry, M. Parkerson, Melissa West, Sharon Cuffe, Tom Simmons

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I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

T. Kingsberry called a meeting of the board of directors of The Exploris School to order on Tuesday Jan 26, 2021 at 4:35 PM.

C.

Approve Minutes: October and December

G. Burnette made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular on 12-15-20.
J. Hwang seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
G. Burnette made a motion to approve the minutes from Regular on 10-27-20.
J. Hwang seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

E. Potential New Board Member

The agenda was amended by unanimous vote to add a new section to discuss a new prospective Board Member.

T. Kingsberry introduced Melissa West who provided a brief overview of her background in information technology and coaching.

II. Interim Leadership Report

A. Personnel and Operations

J. Hwang made a motion to hire Julius Debnum for the 80% Middle School Wellness position.
S. Darroch seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
S. Darroch made a motion to extend the lease for elementary school modular buildings.
J. Hwang seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
D. Brown and A. Northrup provided a personnel and operations update. Key updates:

- MAP testing in progress
- Lottery applications will close on Feb 5
- Calendar committee has met and will provide a draft update to Board next month
- Climate survey was conducted in December with progress shown in all areas
- A forward-facing rubric was created to assist with reopening decision-making
- Staff Spotlight highlighted the work of the MS EC program
- Counseling funding / grant updates were reviewed with the Board

B. Finance

K. Morgan provided an update on the School's financials. Key updates:

- FY21 budget revision is included in the Board packet for approval

- FY20 draft audit is included in the Board packet for review - final audit is expected this week and will be provided at the February Board meeting

The Board also had a discussion on 401k participation and matching with the consensus view that this issue would be investigated further by the Administration team.
J. Hwang made a motion to approve the FY21 budget revision.
J. Korreck seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Committee Reports

A. Facilities

L. Perry provided an update on the committee's initiatives to date. The bulk of this report was deferred to closed session.

B. Governance

T. Miller provided an update on Board turnover and recruitment.

C. Educational Excellence

D. Kain provided an update on committee activities and outlined a timeline for creating a forward-facing document that captures pertinent educational metrics.

D. Culture and Climate

C. Greer-Banks provided an update on the committee's last meeting with CTQ. The group established 6 criteria for the School's leadership model: collaborative engagement, inclusion and diversity, transparency, trust, learning-centeredness, educator leadership, and sustainability.

The group's recommendation was to move forward with a collaborative leadership model that does not rely on a traditional Executive Director.
K. Byars-Nichols made a motion to approve the Committee's recommendation to explore the development of a collaborative leadership model.
J. Korreck seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Governance / New Board Member

T. Miller made a motion to approve Melissa West as a new Board Member.
K. Byars-Nichols seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

IV. Closed Session

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Closed Session

J. Hwang made a motion to move to close session.
G. Burnette seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
T. Miller made a motion to exit closed session.
J. Hwang seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

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 6:36 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
T. Kingsberry