



The Exploris School

Minutes

The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting for September 28, 2021

Date and Time

Tuesday September 28, 2021 at 4:30 PM

Location

Exploris Elementary School
5th Grade Classroom
17 S. Swain St.
Raleigh, NC 27601

Topic: Exploris School Board Mtg

LOCATION: Exploris Elementary School 17 S. Swain St. Raleigh, NV

VIRTUAL OPTION:

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Deb Brown, Exploris, she/her is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Deb Brown, Exploris, she/her's Personal Meeting Room

Directors Present

A. Cioffi (remote), A. Rodriguez (remote), D. Deaton, E. Buchan, J. Hwang (remote), L. Friedman, M. West (remote), S. Darroch

Directors Absent

C. Napier, T. Kingsberry

Ex Officio Members Present

A. Moser, D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Non Voting Members Present

A. Moser, D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Guests Present

K. Morgan, Kimberly Harris, Martha Merrill, Shannon Hardy

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Hwang called a meeting of the board of directors of The Exploris School to order on Tuesday Sep 28, 2021 at 4:41 PM.

C. Approve August Minutes

S. Darroch made a motion to approve the minutes from The Exploris School Board Meeting for Aug. 24th, 2021 on 08-24-21.

A. Cioffi seconded the motion.

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

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment during this Board meeting.

II. Leadership Report

A. Leadership Report

A. Rodriguez made a motion to accept the resignation of Brennan Liming from her position as 6th grade math teacher.

S. Darroch seconded the motion.

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

A. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the hiring of Kris Pillsbury for EC Teacher and Fenessa Monroe for EC Teaching Partner.

S. Darroch seconded the motion.

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

Updates provided by D. Brown and J. Corbat regarding:

- Student enrollment updates
- Student support updates
- School programming and academic initiatives
- Campus updates
 - Covid response updates
 - Buildings & grounds

A. Rodriguez made a motion to continue requiring mandatory, universal masking indoors at the Exploris Middle School campus and both indoors and outdoors at the Exploris Elementary campus.

L. Friedman seconded the motion.

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

B. Finance

K. Morgan provided an update on the School's financials. Please refer to the packet for additional details.

C. Board Business

K. Harris provided updates and more information on the Exploris Foundation, upcoming events, and the annual fund. J. Hwang encouraged all the Board members to support the Exploris Foundation.

S. Darroch made a motion to create a standing Inclusion, Diversity, Equity & Accessibility Committee that will be lead by C. Napier. .

D. Deaton seconded the motion.

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

D. Brown will send out a Doodle Poll to see when the best times would be for the next IES training days with the Kaizen Team and the Board to possibly join.

III. Committee Reports

A. Governance

S. Darroch provided an update on the 2 new promising candidates with backgrounds in academics/education.

IV. Closed Session

A. Closed Session

S. Darroch made a motion to to move into closed session.

A. Cioffi seconded the motion.

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

During closed session, the Board discussed the latest progress and current state of facilities-related items along with personnel issues and changes.

S. Darroch made a motion to exit closed session.

L. Friedman 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 6:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. West