



The Exploris School

Minutes

The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday October 26, 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 <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7076277567>

Directors Present

A. Cioffi (remote), A. Rodriguez, C. Napier, D. Deaton, J. Hwang, L. Friedman, M. West, S. Darroch, T. Kingsberry

Directors Absent

E. Buchan

Ex Officio Members Present

C. Greer-Banks (remote), D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Non Voting Members Present

C. Greer-Banks (remote), D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Guests Present

K. Morgan (remote), Kimberly Harris (remote), Lindsay Anderson, Mark Townley, Martha Merrill (remote), Ryan Boyce, Shannon Hardy (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

S. Darroch called a meeting of the board of directors of The Exploris School to order on Tuesday Oct 26, 2021 at 4:36 PM.

C. Approve September Minutes

A. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the minutes from The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting for September 28, 2021 on 09-28-21.

L. Friedman seconded the motion.

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

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

II. Leadership Report

A. Leadership Report

J. Corbat shared the Exploris Leadership Team Report.

- Student enrollment updates
- Student support updates
- School programming and academic initiatives

Personnel and Operations:

- IT Support Specialist, Lenny, will now be with Exploris two days/week (previously one day/week). This arrangement is far more cost effective and more than doubles IT Support.
- We have decided to engage an external contractor for the Data Management work. This includes revising the current role at the Elementary Front Desk to be mostly support-based.
- Green Strides visit was wonderful and left with heartfelt comments about the work we are doing at Exploris.

Covid Updates:

- Continued efforts to keep the campuses safe indoors and outdoors.

Exploris Calendar:

Kaizen is forming a calendar committee to build out the 2022-2023 and the 2023-2024 school calendars; a board member is requested to serve on this committee.

S. Darroch made a motion to continued mask mandate for ES (indoor and outdoor) and MS (indoor and outdoor mask breaks).

A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

A. Rodriguez made a motion to accept updated IT Support Specialist contract & to engage an external contractor for the Data Management work.

M. West seconded the motion.

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

B. Finance

J. Corbat shared that the financials for the school are strong and looking good.

III. Board Business

A. Discussion Items

J. Hwang recommends a Grievance Committee and nominates M. West, S. Darroch, and A. Rodriguez as committee members and L. Friedman as the parent liaison.

S. Darroch made a motion to create the Grievance Committee with 3 Board members (M. West, S. Darroch-Chair, and A. Rodriguez) and a parent liaison (L. Friedman).

A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

D. Deaton gave a PTO report.

J. Hwang brought up the need for creating communication protocols and norms between the Leadership Team and the Board.

IV. Committee Reports

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Governance

J.Hwang brought up the need for Board members with a background in Education and introduced the new Board candidates.

S. Darroch made a motion to add 4 new Board Members: Theo Kingsberry, Ryan Boyce, Eric Grunden, and Mark Townley.

M. West seconded the motion.

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

V. Closed Session

A. Closed Session

Facilities report given in closed session.

VI. 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