

APPROVED



The Exploris School

Minutes

The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday July 27, 2023 at 4:30 PM

Location

The Exploris School: Elementary Campus
17 S Swain St, Raleigh, NC 27601, USA
5th Grade Classroom

Directors Present

A. Rodriguez, D. Deaton (remote), D. Hencher (remote), E. Buchan, E. Grunden (remote), R. Boyce, S. Carothers, S. Darroch, T. Void

Directors Absent

M. Townley

Ex Officio Members Present

D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Non Voting Members Present

D. Brown, E. Burton, J. Corbat

Guests Present

K. Morgan

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 Thursday Jul 27, 2023 at 4:36 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

A. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the minutes from The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting on 06-22-23.

S. Carothers seconded the motion.

Amend to show that Ed submitted the June minutes, not Ryan.

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

D. Public Comment

II. Committee Reports

A. Governance

R. Boyce made a motion to Approve revised faculty, parent/student handbooks.

E. Buchan seconded the motion.

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

E. Grunden made a motion to Opt-in for new state paid parental leave program as required for charter schools that want to take part, retroactive to July 1, 2023.

T. Void seconded the motion.

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

A. Rodriguez made a motion to Accept resignation of Theo Kingsberry from the BoD.

E. Buchan seconded the motion.

His extensive service is recognized by the board.

EB: what is the effort to diversify the board?

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

B. Finance

R. Boyce made a motion to Approve the annual engagement letter with the auditing firm to begin the audit.

E. Grunden seconded the motion.

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

C. Educational Excellence

R. Boyce made a motion to Accept the committee report.

A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

D. Director Evaluation & Support

E. Facilities

A. Rodriguez made a motion to Approve a contract for floor care.

E. Buchan seconded the motion.

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

F. Kaizen

III. Meeting Items

A. Directors Report

E. Grunden made a motion to Approve two new hires as presented in the Directors' report.

R. Boyce seconded the motion.

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

B. Board Business

E. Buchan made a motion to accept the draft board meeting schedule for 2023-2024.

A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Discussion to make June meeting optional; schedule will be amended to reflect that.

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

S. Carothers made a motion to Change COVID policy to remove mandatory testing.

R. Boyce seconded the motion.

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

IV. Closed Session

A. Facilities & Legal Items

R. Boyce made a motion to Enter closed session to discuss real estate issues.

S. Carothers seconded the motion.

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

R. Boyce made a motion to Leave closed session.

E. Grunden seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 6:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Grunden

Documents used during the meeting

- 2023-24 Exploris Personnel Handbook.docx
- 2023-24 Exploris Family & Student Handbook.docx
- 23-24 Highlights and Summary of Revisions to the Exploris Handbooks.docx
- Exploris_TJT engagement letter.pdf
- Bank Account Balances 6-30-23.pdf
- 03. Board Report - 2023.6 - Exploris.pdf
- 05. Income Statement - 2023.06 - Exploris v2.pdf
- 06. Balance Sheet - 2023.06 - Exploris v2.pdf
- Service Agreement 0623 (1).pdf
- July 2023 Exploris Leadership Team Board Report.pdf
- _DRAFT 2023-2024 The Exploris School Board Meeting Schedule (1).pdf