

# The Exploris School

## **Minutes**

## The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting

#### **Date and Time**

Thursday November 16, 2023 at 4:00 PM

#### Location

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

## **Directors Present**

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

## **Directors Absent**

E. Buchan, M. Townley, P. President

## **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

## 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 Nov 16, 2023 at 4:18 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

- A. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the minutes from The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting on 10-26-23.
- D. Deaton seconded the motion.

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

#### D. Public Comment

• No public comment.

#### E. Board Development: Updates from Rosewood Strategies

• Rosewood gave a Development update to the Board.

## **II. Committee Reports**

### A. Governance

- E. Grunden made a motion to add the McKinney-Vento policy to the agenda.
- A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

- There is an update to the McKinney-Vento policy to help students stay at the school they are attending to limit instability.
- A. Rodriguez made a motion to adopt the new McKinney-Vento policy after typographical errors are corrected.
- T. Void seconded the motion.
  - Thanks to Michelle Duncan for her leadership in this.

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

- E. Grunden made a motion to accept the nominations of Geoffrey Bayo and William McLamb and appoint them to The Exploris School Board.
- A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.
  - Ryan presented the candidates to the Board. High praise was given for both.

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

## B. Finance

- Reports are in the packet.
- Our State Allotment was not as high as we were expecting.
  - It was higher than our budget, but we were hoping our Budget prediction was conservative.
- Out Title money was higher than we expected.
- Our highest priority is providing Teacher/Staff raises for all those on the State salary schedule, so we have begun the Budget Revision process.
- D. Deaton made a motion to accept the Finance report.
- A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

#### C. Educational Excellence

• Kaizen has been working with members of Educational Excellence on the School Improvement Plan.

### D. Director Evaluation & Support

• The Committee has met with the Directors and will further consider compensation plans moving forward.

#### E. Facilities

• Josh yielded his time to the Rosewood Update.

## F. Kaizen

 Kaizen has been digging into educational data in service to the School Improvement Plan.

## III. Meeting Items

## A. Directors Report

- R. Boyce made a motion to approve the Teacher Evaluation Tool Letter of Intent.
- A. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

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

#### **B. Board Business**

#### IV. 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 5:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Corbat