



## The Exploris School

### Minutes

#### The Exploris School Board Regular Monthly Meeting

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**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

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**Directors Present**

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

**Directors Absent**

E. Buchan, M. Townley, S. Carothers

**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

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**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.
- Our 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