



# Durham Charter School

## Minutes

### Durham Charter School Monthly Board Meeting

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#### Date and Time

Thursday August 24, 2023 at 5:00 PM

#### Location

807 W. Chapel Hill St.

Durham, NC 27705

Library

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#### Directors Present

C. Cain, E. Lembert, G. Wicker, J. DeBerry, L. Morey, M. Lesesky, P. Edwards, R. Ford

#### Directors Absent

G. McNair, M. Page

#### Guests Present

A. Hill, A. Quigley, Phil Adkins (remote)

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### I. Opening Items

#### A. Record Attendance

#### B. Call the Meeting to Order

L. Morey called a meeting of the board of directors of Durham Charter School to order on Thursday Aug 24, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

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### **Approve Minutes**

R. Ford made a motion to approve the minutes from June 15, 2023.

J. DeBerry seconded the motion.

Vote passed unanimously.

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

### **D. Approval of Agenda**

G. Wicker made a motion to approve the August 24, 2024 agenda.

E. Lember seconded the motion.

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

## **II. Financial Report**

### **A. Presentation of Report**

Ms.Davies was sick and not present to present the financial report. Mr.Quigley presented and discussed the preliminary end of year financial report. The July financial report will be presented at the next meeting.

## **III. Executive Director Report**

### **A. Presentation of Report**

Mr. Quigley discussed present enrollment, which is at 780. He discussed academics indicating that EOG's were 63.2 percent this past year, which is up about 2 1/2 points from last year. The school is a strong "C". He also discussed testing demographics and the science of reading assessment. Mr. Quigley presented, discussed, and requested an adjustment to the employee leave policy. Board on Track was discussed.

## **IV. Old Business**

### **A. OCS/SBE/CSAB Updates**

Ms.Morrey discussed: Charter School Advisory Board being eliminated. Another board under the State of NC has been established. It's not advisory. It oversees governance and approval of charter schools, etc. It's not under the State Board of Education.

### **B. Durham Collaborative Updates**

No updates

## **V. New Business**

### **A. New State Laws**

Mr. Adkins presented and discussed new state laws that affect Durham Charter School's operation. Mr. Atkins will be creating policies to comply with the new laws. Also, the school handbook will have to be revised.

**B. School's Contribution to Health Insurance**

Ms. Morey and Mr. Quigley presented and discussed the Health Insurance contribution.

**C. Master Teacher Selection**

Ms. Morey and Mr. Quigley presented and discussed the Master Teacher Selection.

**D. Board Committee Selections**

Mr. Quigley discussed and presented the following boards for approval:

Academic Excellence Gwendolyn Wicker(Chair), Alex Quigley(Member),  
Liz Morey(Member), John DeBerry (Member)

Finance & Operations - Preston Edwards(Chair), Alex Quigley(Member),  
Liz Morey(Member), Matthew Lesesky(Member), Richard Ford(Member)

Governance and CEO Eval - Cary Cain(Chair), Alex Quigley(Member), Liz Morey(Member),  
Ernesto Lumbert (Member)

L. Morey made a motion to approve board committees and chairs.

P. Edwards seconded the motion.

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

**E. Closed Session Personnel and Real Estate Matters**

C. Cain made a motion to enter closed session to discuss personnel and real estate matters.

J. DeBerry seconded the motion.

entered into: 5:55 pm.

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

**F. Adjourn Closed Session**

R. Ford made a motion to Adjourn closed session.

G. Wicker seconded the motion.

Exited from: 6:31 pm.

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

**VI. Board Votes**

**A.**

**Leave Policy, Schools Blue Cross Blus Shield Health Insurance, Master Teacher Selection, New Hires, Reschedule September's meeting to the 27th and November's to the 30th**

J. DeBerry made a motion to approve the slate of votes as listed.

E. Lember seconded the motion.

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

**VII. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

P. Edwards made a motion to ajourn the meeting.

J. DeBerry seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

C. Cain