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Brighten Academy

Minutes

Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time
Monday November 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Location
5897 Prestley Mill Rd, Douglasville, GA 30135

The Brighten Academy Governing Board will meet on Monday, November 4, 2024 at 6pm.

Directors Present
D. Carter (remote), J. Smith (remote), K. Moses, M. Vitale, N. Lord, R. Finan, R. Zackery, S. Battle

Directors Absent
C. Burns Falker, C. Claiborne

Ex Officio Members Present
D. Davis

Guests Present
K. Bemus, S. Littles

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Zackery called a meeting of the board of directors of Brighten Academy to order on Monday Nov 4, 2024 at 6:08 PM.

C. Adoption of Agenda

R. Zackery made a motion to adopt the agenda.
M. Vitale seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Approval of Minutes

R. Zackery made a motion to approve the minutes from Brighten Academy Charter School Governing Board Meeting on 10-21-24.
R. Finan seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Executive Director's Report

A. Staffing Update

Interviewing for 2nd grade para and 3rd grade teacher.

B. Facilities Update

Contractors have been actively repairing the leak in the roof. Completion will be on tomorrow, November 5, 2024.

C. Enrollment Update

817 current students enrolled.

III. Finance Committee

A. Birdies Golf Tournament Update

Confirmation has been recieved from Chapel Hill Golf Club for April 3, 2025 for the golf tournament. Pricing is the same as Mirror Lake Golf Club.

Reginald is awaiting contract from the golf course. He also shared the Save the Date.

The goal is $30,000 for the golf tournament.

We would like to have a Presenting Sponsor this year with the expectation of sponsoring at least 50% of funds.

Reginald will share documents from last year that includes previous golfers, sponsors, etc..

Regina will reach out to high schools and colleges for sponsorship opportunities.

B. August Financials

R. Zackery made a motion to approve August financials.
S. Battle seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

IV. Policy/Governance Committee

A. H18. Threats of Violence Policy

R. Zackery made a motion to approve the policy, no changes made.
M. Vitale seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

V. Closing Items

A. Public Comment

A parent asked why the link is not working for parents to sign-up to speak at board meetings. The board explained that we will create a form that will go directly to the secretary.

Parent referred to the public comment policy asking for clarification. Jamilia explained that the board will work offline to refine the policy.

Parent asked about marketing and PR for the school. Jamilia explained that all news should go through the proper channels, with Mrs. Davis being the first point of contact.

B. Board Comments

Nadra mentioned that teacher, Chanel Brown achieved the highest GMAS scores in Douglas County

Mrs. Davis introduced the new 3-5 grade Assistant Principal, Ms. Sparks.

Nadra asked how we could get Brighten's good news to the county. Mrs. Davis explained that we can pay for articles for the paper.

Four Brighten grads have been nominated for Governor's Honor (theatre)

C.

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Zackery