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BEATRICE MAYES INSTITUTE
A WONDERLAND INC. SCHOOL

Beatrice Mayes Institute

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday February 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Virtual Access

Directors Present
G. Thomas, J. Keeton, M. Taylor, R. Caine

Directors Absent
A. Berry, Ed.D., B. Gilbert, J. Greenberg

Ex Officio Members Present
C. Mayes

Guests Present
S. Shahid

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Determine Quorum Present

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Caine called a meeting of the board of directors of Beatrice Mayes Institute to order on Wednesday Feb 15, 2023 at 6:37 PM.

C. Reading of the Minutes

G. Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes from WEEA Board Meeting on 01-26-23.
M. Taylor seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Superintendent Update

A. Organizational Update

Black History Month

- Students, faculty and staff had Royalty day.....Kings and Queens for a day.
- Plan for Black History video about Wonderland is black history throughout the years on 2/24/23
- Early dismissal on 2/24/23, using day as mental health day for teachers since we did not have a Black History Program.
- The plan is to get back to performing a black history program when new school is built.

State Board of Education

- State Board of Education Representative Stacy Childs wants to visit BMI - an African American school with STEAM program.

Donations

- Positive movement towards funding.
- Greater Houston Community Foundation will tour campus next month - March 28, 2023.
- Second gift for $10,000 without visiting campus from Greater Houston Community Foundation.
- Mark Gregg gave $125,000.
- The plan is to have additional tours upcoming in the future.

Summer Program

- Hype Freedom Schools - Reading Literacy Program -wants to use BMI Campus.
- 50 slots at BMI available for Summer 2023.
- Be a Bridge Foundation - meals for students after school - using for summer program for breakfast and lunch.
- Hype Schools raises own funds for program with K-12 age range.
- Paid internships for college students.

- Restoration Community Center - would like to partner with BMI to work on Community Garden, work with Dads, parent involvement.

Children at Risk

- Children at Risk - highlights under served kids - well known with data - BMI ranked at #8
- in the city of Houston.
- Houston Chronicle reporter reached out to BMI to interview us for an article.

School Tours

- For growth, BMI Administration started touring schools.
- Toured Cristo Rey Jesuit, met with Administration.
- BMI Administration attended the tour.
- Discussed academics, enrollment, fund raising, etc.
- March 21,2023 - will travel to Austin Achieve Academy in Austin for another tour.

Mr. Mayes in new weekly schedule:

- Monday - Academic meeting
- Tuesday - Operations meetings
- Wednesday - Thursday - Finance meeting
- 3rd Wednesday - All Hands Meeting
- Thursdays - Senior Leadership Meeting

EFF Closing Dinner

- EFF closing dinner scheduled for Feb. 21, 2023 - Joe and Medina are requested to be present.
- EFF Team will present a picture of the school as a gift.

Executive Session

- The Board adjourned to executive session to discuss confidential matters regarding a student.

III. Finance

A. Finance Committee

- No current updates. Committee will provide update on financials for next board meeting.
- First Bond payment was successful and finalized by bank today.
- Audit is complete, confirmations were sent.

- Beginning due diligence for new auditors. Plan to start process now.
- Charter School Growth Fund is providing referrals for auditors.
- Remy will provide update on fundraising plan at next Financial Committee Meeting.

IV. Miscellaneous Items

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- Organizational websites need to be updated for compliance. Last updates were in 2019.
- Certain links on website do not work.
- Per C. Mayes, website will be updated soon.

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 8:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Caine