



Etoile Academy Charter School

Minutes

August Board Meeting

Date and Time

Thursday August 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Directors Present

A. Yusuf, E. Enriquez (remote), G. Berg (remote), J. Lynch, J. Munoz, L. Vallone, M. Bair, N. Iqbal, P. Wright (remote), R. Guill

Directors Absent

A. Caritis

Guests Present

B. Jean-Louis, Heston, L. Doan, L. Koeuth

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Bair called a meeting of the board of directors of Etoile Academy Charter School to order on Thursday Aug 3, 2023 at 5:11 PM.

B. Record Attendance

C. Public Comment

D. Approve Minutes

N. Iqbal made a motion to approve the minutes from June Board Meeting on 06-22-23.

P. Wright seconded the motion.

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

II. Superintendent and Growth Updates

A. Superintendent Update

Superintendent gave a school update on school goals, hiring, and enrollment

B. Chair Update

III. New Business

A. Academic Achievement Committee

J. Lynch made a motion to Approve the TFA contract.

A. Yusuf seconded the motion.

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

R. Guill made a motion to Approve the Student Handbook Updates.

L. Vallone seconded the motion.

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

B. Resource Development Committee

- Campaign kickoff has begun
- RDC is sending calendar invites for lunch and learns (think of people in network to attend)

C. Finance/Facilities Committee

- Bissonnet building readiness updates
- Hornwood building beautification underway
- Budget updates discussed
- finance policy updates

A. Yusuf made a motion to approve the Compass Rose and Houston Classical shared service agreement.

R. Guill seconded the motion.

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

N. Iqbal made a motion to approve the security agreement.

J. Lynch seconded the motion.

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

D. Governance

- Nominated board chairs and official vote next meeting
- Committee chairs roles were discussed; Lia will be the RDC chair for this year
- Facilities and governance vice chairs needed
- Board schedule for the year discussed (moving to a during the day meeting and every two months) - There will be a September board retreat. Starting in October, board meetings will happen every other month. Committee calls will happen in the off months.
- Policy review: Good Clause Exemption

E. Executive Sessions

N. Iqbal made a motion to move into executive session.

L. Vallone seconded the motion.

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

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Consent Agenda

R. Guill made a motion to finalize the Superintendent total compensation offer for FY24. Her compensation will include a salary of \$185,000 and a monthly stipend to cover 100% of the cost of healthcare premiums for the Superintendent and any dependents enrolled in her plan.

L. Vallone seconded the motion.

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

M. Bair made a motion to professional development minutes waiver.

R. Guill seconded the motion.

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

N. Iqbal made a motion to approve the new janitorial contract.

J. Lynch seconded the motion.

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

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 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. Iqbal