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KIPP Capital Region Public Charter Schools

Minutes

KIPP Capital Region Board Meeting

Date and Time
Wednesday April 24, 2024 at 7:30 AM

Location
KIPP Albany Community Charter Middle School
42 S Dove Street
Albany, NY 12202

Directors Present
A. Duncan, C. Young, D. Applyrs (remote), J. Reilly, K. Young Wilkins, R. Bellafiore, R. Mexico, S. Butler, S. Kabir

Directors Absent
G. Alonge, J. Buell, K. Kimbrough

Guests Present
Ajat Mehta (remote), Amanda Grubler, Fay Rizzuto (remote), Gerald Boyd, Hector Vogliotti (remote), Jessalyn Bush, Jimmy Henderson (remote), John DeForest (remote), Michael Andrews (remote), Natalie Orcutt, R. Boland (remote), Robert McLaughlin, T. Cropper

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Reilly called a meeting of the board of directors of KIPP Capital Region Public Charter Schools to order on Wednesday Apr 24, 2024 at 7:30 AM.

C. Approval of Minutes

S. Butler made a motion to approve the minutes from KIPP Capital Region Board Meeting on 02-07-24.
C. Young seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Management & Committee Reports

A. Management Reports

The KIPP Capital Region Leadership Report provided on information on the SUNY evaluation and leadership and staffing updates.

B. Committees

The Development Committee provided their report regarding an upcoming outing in 2025-2026. The Governance Committees provided their report discussing their launch of a survey to be released on Board on Track as well as a discussion of Board retention matters. The Finance Committee provided a report on the High School construction matters.

III. Data Dive: Academic Data and State Test Strategy

A. Academic Results

A. Mehta presented on internal assessments from the 2023-2024 school year, including the K-8 internal Assessments, the Interim Assessment #2, and next steps. The IA-2 completion and scanning rates were above 87% in ELA and Math. IA data is strongly correlated with how students perform on NYSE and can be used to predict how they will do on NYSE. This data helps the region monitor curriculum alignment, pacing, and instructional moves. This data is also used to identify students that need intervention. A. Mehta provided a breakdown of IA-2 results including a comparison to data from previous year. Next steps is to evaluate the data and see how the schools are using the data.

B. State Test Strategy

A. Grubler presented on the Assessment Strategy Course Design. The Assessment Strategy Course is a mini course leading up to the ELA test to ensure students go into the test feeling confident and prepared. A. Grubler provided an overview of ELA data after launching this course. The first few weeks honed on paper testing strategies before switching to digital testing strategies. Information was provided on how the course is used all learners and provide accommodations as needed.

IV. Discussion Topics

A. Student Enrollment

J. Bush presented on current enrollment for 2023-2024 school year and the anticipated enrollment rates for the 2024-2025 school year. Information was provided on regional and school based targeted recruitment opportunities as well as on parent engagement matters.

B. High School Growth

M. Andrews at CS Arch presented on the status of the future high school and provided an overview and virtual tour of the design. After the conclusion of the presentation there was a group discussion and Q&A regarding details of the design. J. DeForest presented on status of the construction and timeline and associated costs and savings. J. Henderson presented on public financing matters including bond closings, the sources and uses, and projected revenue and expenses for the High School project.

C. Other Discussions

The Board also discussed:

- Academic Progress and the information that the Board needs in order to fulfill it's oversight role. This was referred to the Academic Committee and there will be an update at the next Board meeting.
- S. Butler raised the need for a plan for increased parent and family engagement that partners with parents as stakeholders in advancing academic progress and asked for a future update on activities and plans to increase it. Butler requested that this plan be shared with the Board.

V. New Business

A. High Growth Votes

C. Young made a motion to approve the GMP Amendment.
R. Mexico seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
C. Young made a motion to approve the Amendment to Reimbursement Resolution.
S. Butler seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
R. Mexico made a motion to approve the Resolution to authorize proceeding with the financing of the construction of a new building with the issuance of tax-exempt bonds.
C. Young seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

VI. Executive Session

A. For the purposes of discussing personnel matters

Executive Session was entered for the purposes of discussing personnel matters.

VII. 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 9:59 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Boland

Documents used during the meeting

- 2024_02_07_board_meeting_minutes.pdf
- KIPP Capital Region Leadership Report 04.24.24.docx.pdf
- KIPP Cap - 500 Patroon Creek scenarios 4.12.24.pdf
- KIPP Capital Region - Resolution of the Board - Clean 4880-7539-8584 v.2.docx
- Amendment to Resolution of Board of Trustees Inducement $75mm 4877-7766-5976 v.2.docx
- A133ExhibitA-2019 (Draft 2024.04.23) clean, 4879-0601-0808.docx