



# MCCPS Board of Trustees

## **Minutes**

## **August Board Meeting**

## **Date and Time**

Tuesday August 28, 2018 at 7:00 PM

#### Location

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## **Trustees Present**

Artie Sullivan, Ellen Lodgen, Fred Ferris, Ian Hunt, Jen Jewell, Karl Smith, Nichole Thompson, Nina Cullen-Hamzeh, Paul Baker, Sean Killeen, Tony Palladino

#### **Trustees Absent**

None

## **Guests Present**

John DiPiano, Martin Trice

## I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

Artie Sullivan called a meeting of the board of trustees of MCCPS Board of Trustees to order on Tuesday Aug 28, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

Artie Sullivan made a motion to approve minutes from the July Board Meeting on 07-10-18 and 6/26/18 Board meeting. Both passed unanimously pending striking of last 3 lines of 7/10/18 minutes. July Board Meeting on 07-10-18.

Fred Ferris seconded the motion.

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

## **II. HOS Report**

## A. Monthly Report

HOS presented Monthly update.

Annual Report approved by DESE and posted for public view on MCCPS website.

School is almost fully enrolled. Seeking 7th & 8th grade students so as to avoid stacking of 4th and 5th grades which re currently 23 students per advisory.

HOS proposes focus on student retention and promotion of student performance and how students perform once they enter high school.

There are additional staff in place for the school year which, hopefully, will be a boon to staff moral and culture.

Chrome Books ordered for 4th & 5th grades.

Computer room will become a student room for SPED.

Bios and images of staff to be posted on website.

Back to school BBQ was well attended.

#### III. Other Business

## A. Strategic Planning Update

Board Chair, Artie Sullivan, lead strategic planning discussion.

Proposed a reboot of Strategic Planning Committee and envisions Plan being ready by the end of 2018.

#### B. Discuss Board Goals for SY 18-19

Board agendas and goals were discussed as well as fundraising and Board responsibilities.

Board self assessments to be completed by 9/21/18.

Proposed student council members presenting a short school update as part of regular Board meetings.

Board member handbook to be be compiled and available online to new members.

Navigator Night to be held 9/27/18.

Board and staff evening to be held in early October, location TBA.

#### C. Head of School Goals for SY 18-19

HOS, together with the Personnel Committee, will set her goals for the 2019 school year and present them at the September 25th 2018 Board meeting.

## D. Development of Board Policies

Artie Sullivan discussed the need for the Board to adopt and pass a policy to approve future policies. After discussion, it was decided to revisit this topic at 9/25/18 meeting.

## IV. Committee Updates

#### A. Governance Committee

Governance had not met since last Board meeting. Will present update at 9/25/18 Board meeting.

#### **B.** Finance Committee

Karl Smith presented finance update.

Rudolph Herve appointed vice chair of finance committee.

Proposed that long time finance committee member, Peter Jalbert, be formerly recognized for his outstanding contributions to MCCPS by way of a letter of thanks.

#### C. Personnel Committee

Personnel had not met since last Board meeting and update will be provided at 9/25/18 Board meeting.

#### D. Academic Excellence

Academic Excellence Committee has not met since last Board meeting. next Academic Excellence meeting tentatively scheduled for 10/3/18.

## E. Development

Development Committee had not met since last Board meeting.

## F. Strategic Plan Committee

See above in Other Business/Strategic Planning Update. Next meeting scheduled for 9/17/18.

## G. Communications, and Community Relations Committee

Committee had not met since last Board meeting.

## V. Public Comment

## A. Public Comment

Guest, John DiPiano, addressed the Board and availed members of his observations of the meeting. Mr. DiPiano noted frustration amongst Board members and questioned the reasons for it.

## VI. Closing Items

## A. Recap Action Items

Strategic Planning Meeting to be held 9/17/18..please attend if you can.

Invites to attend Board meetings to be sent to Student Council.

Date, time & location of Staff/Board Social to be confirmed.

Refinement of Board goals.

Thank you letter to Peter Jalbert to be sent.

Completion of Board Self assessments to be completed by 9/21/18

## **B.** Meeting Evaluation

Meeting was productive and a lot of ground was covered. Consequently, the meeting ran late and was adjourned at 9.40pm

## C. Adjourn Meeting

Artie Sullivan made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Fred Ferris 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 9:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Baker

## Documents used during the meeting

- 2018 07 10 board meeting minutes.pdf
- June-26th-draft mintues-board meeting.docx
- MCCPS Annual Report 2017-18.docx
- Personnel 18 19 with position.pdf
- Academic Schedule by grade level 18-19.pdf
- POLICY ADOPTION PROPOSAL.docx
- jul-18.xlsx

• Financials, jul-18.pdf