Bloom Academy Charter School

Minutes

Bloom Academy Monthly Board Meeting

November 2023

Date and Time
Tuesday November 7, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Location
Bloom Academy Charter School
3420 Almeda-Genoa Rd.
Houston, TX 77047

Notice of this lawfully convened board meeting was publicly posted online and on the main door of Bloom Academy's school building in accordance with all Texas state rules and regulations.

Directors Present
A. Harold, C. Douglas, C. Milton

Directors Absent
J. Nunoo, M. Douglas

Guests Present
B. Reiner (remote), C. Sales, K. Fuccello (remote), N. Jenkins-Morgan (remote)

I. Opening Items

    A. Record Attendance

    B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Harold called a meeting of the board of directors of Bloom Academy Charter School to order on Tuesday Nov 7, 2023 at 7:04 PM.

C. Approve Minutes

C. Milton made a motion to approve the minutes from Bloom Academy Monthly Board Meeting on 09-12-23.
C. Douglas seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

II. Public Comments

A. Comments from the Public

No public comment.

III. Old Business

A. Superintendent Update

We were selected for the competitive Stronger Connections grant that will allow us to begin to build a robust SEL department for our scholars and families with significant social emotional needs.

IV. New Business

A. Review and Approval of Contracts Over $20K

C. Milton made a motion to approve.
C. Douglas seconded the motion.

- Discussion about the tutors qualifications
- Length of time and consider how many sessions we can utilize

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

B. Review of SY23-24 Financial Statements

Finance committee update will cover draft finance audit.

C. Approve Revolving Line of Credit ($100K) with Cadence Bank

C. Douglas made a motion to approve.
C. Milton seconded the motion.
Discussion of interest rate
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

D.

Review and Approve Modular Options

C. Milton made a motion to approval of new construction in lieu of keeping the modulars. C. Douglas seconded the motion.

- TCSD discussed the option of removing modulars and instead extending an already existing building.
- This move would not impact overall budget
- Build option: amount would be a fixed amount
- Current lease rate: would drop 100k a year
- Moving forward with new construction in lieu of keeping the modulars

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

E. TEA Renewal Process

We are in our five year renewal year and the application is due February 9th.

F. Review Charter School Performance Framework Results

Reviewed 22-23 CSPF and discussed points of improvement.

V. Committee Updates

A. Academic Excellence Committee

C. Milton and C. Sales will speak about strategic plan and academic progress in a 1:1.

B. Development Committee

C. Sales is awaiting results of three grant applications.

C. Governance Committee

Board training hours must be met.

D. Finance Committee

Review of draft financial audit.

E. Campus Safety Committee

N/A

VI. Executive Session

A. Personnel Matters

Moved into executive session at 8:15 pm
Finished at 9:26

VII. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Closed Session

A. Take Possible Action on Matters Discussed

C. Milton made a motion to Approve Superintendent sabbatical for duration of Dec 1 - Jan 31 and an additional week before or after spring break, and an additional week in the summer.
C. Douglas seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

VIII. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

C. Milton made a motion to Adjourn meeting.
C. Douglas 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 9:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
A. Harold