



# Frayser Community Schools

# Minutes

FCS Board Meeting (Web Meeting)

Date and Time Tuesday July 14, 2020 at 5:30 PM

# Location

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# **Directors Present**

A. Cathey (remote), C. Houston (remote), E. Henneghan (remote), K. Adams (remote), K. Potts (remote), M. Matthews (remote), R. Dowell (remote), R. Floyd (remote), S. Lockwood (remote)

**Directors Absent** T. Hartwell

**Ex Officio Members Present** B. White (remote)

**Non Voting Members Present** 

## B. White (remote)

## **Guests Present**

B. Lawson (remote), L. Warren (remote), T. Hervey (remote)

## I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

A. Cathey called a meeting of the board of directors of Frayser Community Schools to order on Tuesday Jul 14, 2020 at 5:35 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

S. Lockwood made a motion to approve the minutes from FCS Board Meeting (Web Meeting) on 06-09-20.

C. Houston seconded the motion.

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

## **II. CEO Updates**

#### A. Remembering the Vision

Dr. Bobby White:

- Had an amazing experience visiting the new Renaissance Apartments with Roshun Austin across from MLK
- This new development will greatly benefit families in the Frayser community
- This development should have an impact on enrollment at both MLK and Westside

## III. Academic Excellence

#### A. Academic Excellence Committee Updates

Mr. Brett Lawson:

- The academic year for all FCS schools will begin on August 10 and the first three weeks will be remote/virtual
- Need to monitor 6 1/2 hours of instructional learning and content
- At the conclusion of the spring, all teachers were require to complete a 3 week sequence of coursework
- Through Canvas, teachers are able to see if the students are engaging in the lesson, if they have logged on and how much time they have been online

- The plan is to have computers and hot spots before August 5th or by the end of that week
- The FCS flexibility plan outlines plans for what it will look like if/when we go back to the regular school setting

#### **IV. Finance**

A. Finance Committee Updates

Dr. Bobby White:

#### Cash Balance at the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2020): \$3.36M

•Preliminary year-end financials for FY2020 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020) will be presented at the board meeting in August. We are finalizing financials including all reconciliations (and are waiting on a final BEP payment from the ASD, which will come this month).

•The organization is in a break-even to surplus position this year (primarily driven by strong enrollment).

**2019-2020 Audit** – FCS will be engaging a new auditing firm this year to complete the organization's 2019-2020 audit. FCS received proposals from 3 firms that are all experienced in auditing charter school organizations and have strong professional reputations:

•The Marston Group - \$29,000 proposed fee

•Watkins Uiberall - \$40,000 proposed fee

•Cannon Wright Blount - \$50,000 proposed fee

The recommendation from the finance committee is to engage the Marston Group (given its credentials and competitive pricing).

#### FCS PPP loan of \$1,525,000:

•We are staying abreast of updates from our banking partner, SunTrust/Truist, in preparation for submitting documentation for loan forgiveness. We anticipate the bank opening up its portal for submissions for loan forgiveness sometime in July. •Frayser will be using payroll expenses (6-8 weeks of payroll) to expend its PPP funding, which totals \$1.525M. We are planning to submit that documentation in early to mid August.

#### 2020-2021 Budget:

•The 2020-2021 budget was approved by the Board in a special called meeting in June.

•A summary of the budget is attached for reference.

## V. Governance

#### A. Governance Committee Updates

Arlinda Fair:

• In lieu of annual board retreat, each committee will meet for working sessions

- Board members that have not already committed to a specific committee will be requested to join the committee they are most aligned with in terms of interests and expertise
- Working sessions are scheduled for:
  - Academic Excellence Thursday, July 23, 4:00 PM 5:30 PM
  - Development Wednesday, July 22, 5:00 PM 6:30 PM
  - Governance Tuesday, July 21, 5:00 PM 6:30 PM
- Nominations for the executive committee are open and the annual election will take place at the August board meeting
- Nominations should be submitted to Cedrick Houston by Friday, July 24 for Secretary, Vice Chair, and Board Chair
- Joia Thornton has moved through the full vetting process for board membership board is prepared to take a vote on her membership.

R. Dowell made a motion to Recommend board membership for Ms. Joia Thornton.

M. Matthews seconded the motion.

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

## Roll Call

- K. AdamsAyeA. CatheyAyeR. FloydAyeE. HenneghanAyeT. HartwellAbsentS. LockwoodAye
- R. Dowell Aye
- C. Houston Aye
- C. HOUSION Aye
- M. Matthews Aye

# VI. Development

#### A. Development Committee Updates

No new updates at this time.

#### **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 7:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, A. Cathey