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# Rochester Academy Charter School

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Friday September 20, 2024 at 5:00 PM

#### **Location**

Conference Room - Central Office

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#### **Trustees Present**

D. Calder, G. Tillery, J. Santos, S. Al, W. Middleton

#### **Trustees Absent**

C. Sampson

#### **Trustees who arrived after the meeting opened**

G. Tillery

#### **Guests Present**

Brittany Pritchard, D. Ozcan, Darryl Cranston, Fredrick Dicks, G. Santiago, Jessica Walker, M. Demirtas, Savannah Walker, Z. Ercan

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

#### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

W. Middleton called a meeting of the board of trustees of Rochester Academy Charter School to order on Friday Sep 20, 2024 at 5:03 PM.

#### **C. Public Comment Session**

**D. Approve Minutes**

D. Calder made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Meeting on 08-10-24.

J. Santos seconded the motion.

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

**E. Approve Board Retreat Minutes**

S. Al made a motion to approve the minutes from Board Retreat on 08-10-24.

J. Santos seconded the motion.

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

**II. Academic Excellence**

**A. Monthly Topic**

The assistant principals in each building reviewed the discipline and restorative data for the 23-24 school year for their buildings, as well as the trends and effective interventions. They shared their plans to improve student behavior for this school year. The goal is to change behavior and improve student learning rather than suspend and apply consequences.

G. Tillery arrived at 5:20 PM.

**B. Committee Meeting Minutes**

**III. Community Outreach**

**A. Report**

Ms. Zehra went over the slideshow for the summer and back-to-school events.

**B. Committee Meeting Minutes**

**IV. Finance and Facilities**

**A. Enrollment**

Mr. Demirtas and Ms. Zehra shared the current enrollment numbers. We have met our enrollment target.

**B. Investment Management Proposal**

Dr. Middleton mentioned that Ms. Sampson recommended looking into this proposal for another month. The Board asked Mr. Demir to put something informative together to be presented to the board about the investment.

**C. Lighting Fixtures - Middle School Building**

G. Tillery made a motion to accept the Finance Committee's recommendation to hire LED Tomorrow Company for the lighting fixtures upgrade.

S. Al seconded the motion.

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

#### **D. Financials**

Mr. Demir presented the monthly financial summary.

#### **E. Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **V. Governance**

#### **A. Review Proposed Promotion and Retention Policy for Grades K-8**

G. Tillery made a motion to approve the proposed revision to the promotion and retention policy for K-8.

J. Santos seconded the motion.

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

#### **B. Review Proposed Committee Work Evaluation Rubric**

G. Tillery made a motion to approve the committee work evaluation rubric recommended by the governance committee.

S. Al seconded the motion.

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

#### **C. Committee Meeting Minutes**

### **VI. Other Business**

#### **A. Employee Changes Review**

Mr. Demirtas went over the staffing changes for the month of September.

S. Al made a motion to approve the staffing changes.

J. Santos seconded the motion.

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

### **VII. Closing Items**

#### **A. Board Meeting Evaluation**

Dr. Middleton stated this was a double plus meeting due to covering all the agenda items on time.

#### **B. Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
G. Santiago