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## RePublic Schools

# Minutes

## December Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Thursday December 17, 2020 at 10:00 AM

### Location

<https://republiccharterschools-org.zoom.us/my/lauriefbrown>

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### Directors Present

C. Moss (remote), D. Jarman (remote), M. Christy (remote), S. Hood (remote), W. Caldwell (remote)

### Directors Absent

A. Mangana, R. Corbin, S. Bossier, W. Morrow

### Ex Officio Members Present

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K. Poulos (remote)

### **Non Voting Members Present**

K. Poulos (remote)

### **Guests Present**

G. Turtel (remote), J. Rybka (remote), L. Brown (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

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

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

S. Hood called a meeting of the board of directors of RePublic Schools to order on Thursday Dec 17, 2020 at 10:05 AM.

## **II. CEO Updates**

### **A. CEO Update**

- Reopening Decision: 1-12 not reopen until, at least, 2/15. Smilow Collegiate will reopen at or after 1/19 (this is based on internal and community data available in Jackson)
- SC lessons learned: aerosol transmission is real, masks protect wearer and community, and hand hygiene matters
- Trying to build a healthy culture through our community agreements
- Revive Prep set to open Fall 2022
- Computer Science program will be used in all schools at KIPP Texas and our AP computer science rate was 70%

## **III. Votes**

### **A. Approval of minutes**

W. Caldwell made a motion to approve the minutes from October Board Meeting on 10-22-20.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

### **B. RSI Authorized Signers**

W. Caldwell made a motion to update RSI authorized signers to include: Bank Accounts: All Hope Credit Union, All Wells Fargo, All Pinnacle Financial Partners: Jon Rybka, Leroy

Harris, Stewart Hood, Wood Caldwell (Glenn Turtel to remain a signer until January 31,2021) Bank Accounts: All First Commercial Bank: Anthony Vernaci, Jon Rybka, Leroy Harris, Stewart Hood, Wood Caldwell (Glenn Turtel to remain a signer until January 31,2021).

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

R. Corbin Absent  
S. Bossier Absent  
A. Mangana Absent  
W. Morrow Absent  
W. Caldwell Aye  
C. Moss Aye  
S. Hood Aye  
M. Christy Aye  
D. Jarman Aye

**C. RSN Authorized Signers**

W. Caldwell made a motion to update RSN authorized signers to include: Bank Accounts: All Pinnacle Financial Partners, Self-Help Credit Union, Hope Credit Union, TD Ameritrade: Laurie Brown, Leroy Harris, Stewart Hood, Wood Caldwell (Glenn Turtel to remain a signer until January 31,2021).

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Hood Aye  
M. Christy Aye  
R. Corbin Absent  
C. Moss Aye  
A. Mangana Absent  
W. Caldwell Aye  
W. Morrow Absent  
S. Bossier Absent  
D. Jarman Aye

**D. RSI Purchasing Cards**

W. Caldwell made a motion to Create RSI Purchasing Cards -credit line \$250,000.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

W. Caldwell Aye  
C. Moss Aye  
R. Corbin Absent

**Roll Call**

S. Hood Aye  
S. Bossier Absent  
A. Mangana Absent  
W. Morrow Absent  
M. Christy Aye  
D. Jarman Aye

**E. RSN Credit Cards**

W. Caldwell made a motion to Update RSN Credit Cards - credit line \$100,000.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**Roll Call**

S. Bossier Absent  
W. Caldwell Aye  
S. Hood Aye  
R. Corbin Absent  
D. Jarman Aye  
C. Moss Aye  
M. Christy Aye  
A. Mangana Absent  
W. Morrow Absent

**F. Add Diarese George to the RePublic Schools Board of Directors**

C. Moss made a motion to approve Diarese George as a board member.

W. Caldwell seconded the motion.

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

**G. Add Julie Hanks to the RePublic Schools Board of Directors**

W. Caldwell made a motion to approve Julia Hanks as a board member.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**H. Appoint Wood Caldwell as Treasurer of RePublic Schools Board of Directors**

D. Jarman made a motion to appoint Wood Caldwell as Interim Treasurer.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

D. Jarman made a motion to appoint Miranda Christy as Interim Governance Chair.

C. Moss seconded the motion.

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

**I. Submission of Amendment Request to MCSAB for Increased Enrollment at RP**

C. Moss made a motion to Increased Enrollment at RP.

W. Caldwell seconded the motion.

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

#### **IV. Strategic Plan**

##### **A. Strategic Plan Project**

- Shared process so far and the different components of what will go into the strategic plan
- Clarified the board's involvement within the rest of the strategic planning process
- Shared draft Vision, Mission and Priorities
- Coming up
  - Board meeting on strategic plan in Jan
  - Directional approval February
  - Final approval April

#### **V. Committee Reports**

##### **A. Finance Committee Report**

- In a good place with RSN and RSI
- Have been able to use CARES funding to purchase ~1700 chromebooks and hundreds of hotspots

#### **VI. 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 12:01 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
L. Brown