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## RePublic Schools

# Minutes

## August Board Meeting

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### **Date and Time**

Thursday August 17, 2023 at 1:00 PM

### **Location**

Zoom

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### **Directors Present**

A. Green (remote), D. George (remote), E. Huffman (remote), J. Hanks (remote), M. Christy (remote), W. Caldwell (remote)

### **Directors Absent**

*None*

### **Guests Present**

A. Bass (remote), A. Gallimore (remote), Cody Shumaker (remote), Joe Keeney (remote), Kevin Heffel (remote), S. Landry (remote)

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## **I. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance**

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

E. Huffman called a meeting of the board of directors of RePublic Schools to order on Thursday Aug 17, 2023 at 1:06 PM.

### **C.**

## **Approve Minutes**

J. Hanks made a motion to approve the minutes from RePublic Board of Directors Meeting - June on 06-15-23.

D. George seconded the motion.

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

## **II. CEO Report**

### **A. CEO Update**

Ashley Davis Gallimore gave the CEO update. She discussed high-level updates on enrollment, sense of belonging in schools, staff attrition, and school operations.

## **III. Finance updates**

### **A. FY24 Budgets**

Stacie Landry gave an update on FY24 Budgets. Enrollment at two Nashville schools dropped 8%, and budget cuts became necessary in the TN region. A new forecast was presented in the board documents to reflect the budget cuts.

### **B. Audit Update**

Stacie Landry gave an update on the status of our financial audit. The audit is currently taking place, and we are on track to meet the audit deadlines.

## **IV. Organizational Updates**

### **A. State Testing Academic Results Update**

Kevin Heffel gave an update on the academic performance of RePublic scholars across TN and MS. A report was given on state test results from TN and MS. When available, comparative data from the local school district and state was presented as well. All results were included in the board packet.

Kevin highlighted improvements that we've made in student performance and discussed our strategies for continuous improvement.

### **B. School Launch Updates**

Angela Bass and Cody Shumaker gave updates on the launch of the school year. They discussed enrollment and attendance trends as well as regional trends in staff attrition, teacher development, and operations systems. Information that they presented can be found in the board packet.

### **C. SY24 Board Priorities**

Erika Berry discussed board member recruitment needs, and she named two new board prospects.

## V. Other Business

### A. SY24 Student and Family Handbook

W. Caldwell made a motion to Approve the RePublic Schools SY24 Student and Family Handbook.

M. Christy seconded the motion.

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

#### Roll Call

A. Green Absent

E. Huffman Aye

J. Hanks Aye

W. Caldwell Aye

M. Christy Aye

D. George Aye

## VI. Closing Items

### A. Adjourn Meeting

M. Christy made a motion to adjourn.

W. Caldwell 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 3:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

E. Huffman