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November 23, 2015

Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting type: In Person

Attendees: Sharon Daniel (Board Chairwoman)
Reginald Colbert
Anthony Bryant
Terance Madden (*via telephone*)
Artesius Miller (Executive Director)

Meeting Called to Order (5:53 PM)

Pledge of Allegiance

Led by *Board Chair*.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda by *Reginald Colbert*.

Seconded by *Anthony Bryant*.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes read aloud by Governing Board Chair, Sharon Daniel.

Approval of minutes from October 15, 2015 was motioned by Anthony Bryant second by Reginald Colbert. Unanimously passed.

Financial Report

Board CFO shared the current budget and profit and loss statement for review with stakeholders in attendance. He shared that our current revenues are only reflective of 183 students; from the Spring 2015 student count. However, there will be an increase in revenues, beginning in April 2016, with the reflection of our actual student count.

Audit: There has been an extended delay in some items by the auditor, but there has been noticeable improvement in progress.

A future receivable would be needed from CAM.

Executive Director's Report

- ENROLLMENT REPORT
 - Demographics of Students Served
- CURRICULUM REPORT
 - 2014-15 Georgia Milestones Data
- OPERATIONS
 - Staffing
 - New Hires
 - Nutrition



- Press Releases
- Athletic Programs
- FACILITIES
- STATE CHARTER SCHOOLS COMMISSION
 - Governance Board Training
 - Site Visit
 - Monitoring Visit
 - Board Strategic Planning
- CONFERENCES/TRAININGS/WORKSHOPS
 - FY16 Schoolwide Training for LEAs
 - K12 Interchange Conference:
- FUNDRAISING & DEVELOPMENT
 - Private Philanthropies
 - Public and Private Grant Programs

Questions:

- Were students involved in the visit from State Charter School Commission?
- Have there been any updates on the decision from PTSA on the request to assist with purchasing calculators?

2016 Calendar

December 2015 Meeting: Board Chair Daniel asked board members to identify any schedule conflicts with meeting the second week of December. A tentative date has been scheduled for December 7, 2015 at 6:00PM.

All future board meetings will take place on the second Thursday of each month for 2016. Motioned by Terance Madden. Seconded by Anthony. Voted unanimously.

Public Comment

Deetra Poindexter: When will the board officially know the status of our building location for the 2016-17 school year? Before the end of school year?

Mrs. Godfrey: What's the likelihood that Utopian will have high school offered for students entering ninth grade, next fall?

Executive Session 7:39PM

Michael Oby moved to go into Executive session. Seconded by Terance Madden.

Legal and real estate matters discussed.

Anthony Bryant motioned to end executive session. Seconded by Michael Oby.

Adjournment (8:31pm)

Anthony Bryant motioned for the board meeting to be adjourned. Seconded by *Michael Oby*.