



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Board Members in Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Monica Cutno, President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sonal Krishna | <input type="checkbox"/> Rob Matheson |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marla Mills-Wilson, Vice President | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charles Langley | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joshua Redlus |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Portia Scott, Secretary/Treasurer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roland Lewis Jr. | <input type="checkbox"/> Diego Torres |

I. Call to Order

- A. Regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:30 PM by A. Monica Cutno.
- B. Mission and vision statements were read by the board president.

II. Consent Agenda

- A. Draft minutes from 08/10/15 board meeting were reviewed.
- B. Financial report was given.
 - Motion to approve consent agenda.
 - Motion: Marla Mills-Wilson
 - Second: Sonal Krishna
 - Discussion: None
 - Vote: Unanimously approved (7-0)

III. STEAM Spotlight

- A. Portia Scott shared STEAM K-8 student planners with BOD and principal.

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Finance Committee report was given by A. Monica Cutno
 1. State and County funds have been received.
 2. Bridge loan of \$65K will be repaid once November State allotment is received.
- B. Academic Committee report was given by Principal Fuller
 1. Third grade BOG testing completed; benchmark assessments underway for all grades.
 2. ESA received an “A” on 2014-2015 NC School Report Card.
 3. School-wide student behavior/discipline plans under development.
- C. Governance Committee report given by A. Monica Cutno
 1. Board reviewed and approved staff recommendations (Riddle, Head, and LaPiana) and stipends for Cooper, Levine, and Hands.
 - Motion to approve staff recommendations and stipends.
 - Motion: Josh Redlus
 - Second: Sonal Krishna
 - Discussion: None
 - Vote: Unanimously approved (7-0)

2. Board accepted John Szwed's resignation from the board.
 Motion to accept Szwed's resignation.
 Motion: Marla Mills-Wilson
 Second: Charles Langley
 Discussion: None
 Vote: Unanimously approved (7-0)
 3. Board discussed proposed and amended policies (Personal Student Devices, Field Trip Policy, Sick/Vacation/Personal Days, and Dress Code) and charter application amendment (Enrollment and Admissions).
 Motion to adopt proposed/amended policies and charter application amendment.
 Motion: Marla Mills-Wilson
 Second: Charles Langley
 Discussion: None
 Vote: Unanimously approved (7-0)
 4. Dispute resolution was announced by A. Monica Cutno.
- D. Facility Committee report was given by Development Team.
1. Site for new ESA campus has been secured in Traditions neighborhood on Traditions Grande Blvd.
 2. Due diligence and approvals will continue over next few months.

V. Public Comments

- A. Lara Heberlein asked if ESA will be in new building for 2016-2017 school year.

VI. Closed Session

- A. Board entered closed session at 7:43 PM to discuss new facility location and student records that are privileged and confidential pursuant to GS 143-318.11.(a).
 Motion to go into closed session.
 Motion: Charles Langley
 Second: Sonal Krishna
 Discussion: None
 Vote: Unanimously approved (6-0)
 Board exited closed session at 8:54 PM and resumed regular meeting.

VII. Adjournment

- A. Next regular board meeting will be October 21, 2015, 6:30-8:00 PM, 9400 Forum Drive, Raleigh.
 B. Board meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.
 Motion to adjourn meeting.
 Motion: Marla Mills-Wilson
 Second: Sonal Krishna
 Discussion: None
 Vote: Unanimously approved (6-0)