



Emma Jewel Charter Academy



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Board of Directors Meeting for Emma Jewel Charter School Inc.

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January 24, 2022

5:30 p.m.

705 Blake Avenue

Cocoa, FL 32922

1. Call to order– Erik Jones called the meeting to order at 5:43 and turned the meeting over to Mr. Edmond.
2. Pledge of Allegiance/School Pledge-SGA Officers led the school pledge as well as the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call/Opening Statement – Lacy Bussey conducted the roll call and the opening statement. In attendance were Reginald Jones, Alton Edmond, Lacy Bussey, Erick Jones.
4. Public Notice- Mr. Cole stated that the public was notified on the school's Facebook page, electronic sign, and the school's website.
5. Public Input (3 Minutes Please)- There were three members of the public who spoke for 3 minutes. Mr. Alvin Blackmon Jr. spoke on the father's breakfast that was given at the school, stated how impressed he was of how many fathers/men attended the meeting. Next to speak was Mr. Ron Harp. Mr. Harp also spoke on the father's breakfast. He stated that it was a positive meeting not only for the scholars whose dads showed up, but for the men as well. Last to speak was Mrs. Malinda. Mrs. Malinda stated how she was happy to be at the meeting and it was great to hear positive feedback on the father's breakfast.
6. Approval of Minutes from Board Meetings held October 25, 2021 * - Lacy Bussey made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion was second by Erik Jones. The vote stood at 4-0.



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7. Monthly Financials* - Mr. Cole Alton entertained a motion to confirm that the board has received and explanation of the monthly financials as well as the financials. Lacy Bussey made a motion and Mr. Reginald Jones second the motion. The vote stood at 4-0.
8. Charter Contract -Shaun Arnold stated that he and Mr. Cole had been working through the Charter renewal agreement. Mr. Arnold and Mr. Cole are looking over the agreement in which there are a few provisions on the agreement that Mr. Arnold and Mr. Cole have a few issues with. Mr. Arnold and the BCPS attorney as well as Dr. Roberts will meet to discuss the issues. Mr. Cole informed the board that Mr. Arnold was giving an update on the process.
9. Community Development Block Grant Submission Authority*- Mr. Cole informed the board that he will be submitting the CDBG, however in order to do so he will need a letter signed by the board approving him to go before the CDBG board stating Mr. Cole could sign on behalf of the not for profit in order to apply for the grant. Mr. Edmond entertained a motion for the approval of Mr. Cole to apply for the CDBG. Mr. Erik Jones made the motion and Mr. Reginald Jones second the motion. The motion stood a 4-0 vote.
10. Auditor General Letter- Mr. Cole stated that the auditor general sent a letter requesting additional information. The auditor general did audit and the audit is clean. The auditor general wanted the school to provide a budgetary schedule for the debt service. The audit has been accepted and approved.
11. ESSER II Update-Mr. Cole gave the board an update on the ESSER II funds that the school was going to be receiving in the amount of \$311,592.93. ESSER II funds are comprised of (4) Four different grants. The lump sum, non-enrollment assistance, academic acceleration, and technology. Mr. Cole informed the board that the \$12,00 that was to be used toward the non-enrollment is able to be



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used for professional development for the teacher. As of to date, the school has received \$116,514 for the lump sum as well as an additional \$40,00. Mr. Cole is still waiting to hear back from Michelle Mitchel pertaining to the academic acceleration.

12. ESSER III-AR Update-Mr. Cole informed the board that the ESER III is over \$600,000. In ESSER III guideline states that the school has to have a prior approval for construction and busses. Mr. Coles asked for a special request for constructions. This allows for better social distancing within the school. \$300,000 would go toward construction and another \$100,000 would go toward adding another bus.
13. SGA Updates – Jalaya talked about the Gala. She reminded the board that the goal for raising funds for the Gala was \$10,000 and after all expenses were paid, there was a net worth of \$15,786. Angel Sams informed the board that the step team was awarded 1 st place at the Cocoa/Rockledge parade. Jazmine Gamble gave an update about the Black History program that is on the 24th of Feb at 5:30. The theme is Recovering and rising together for a stronger community.
14. New Family Members- Mr. Cole introduced the new school's social worker Mrs. Boother. Mrs. Boother introduced herself.
15. Adjourn the meeting was adjourned at 6:30.

Larry Bussay
Board Secretary

3/28/22
Date