



## Endeavor Charter School Board Meeting Minutes: December 12, 2023

**7:00 PM in the Auditorium and via Zoom:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85926333534?pwd=UIYwTzRFdDYrb0dJK28zZkoxQzgvUT09>

**Present:**

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Term Start</b>	<b>Term Ending</b>	<b>Present</b>
<b>Vacant</b> Start: 3/15/2022	Member		7/1/2022	6/30/2025	
<b>Jaclyn Parks</b> Start: 4/8/2019	Member	CDC (Chair)	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	Yes
<b>Katrina Caseldine</b> Start: 3/1/2023	Member	Governance	7/1/2022	6/30/2025	No
<b>Tracy DeMarco</b> Start: 6/15/2017	Secretary	Governance (Chair)	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	No
<b>Kristen Walsh</b> Start: 3/1/2023	Member	Governance	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	Yes
<b>Michael Gottlieb</b> Start: 7/01/2022	Member	CDC	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	Yes
<b>David Roy</b> Start: 2/23/2021	Member	Finance	7/1/2023	6/30/2026	Yes
<b>Alyssa Ruth</b> Start: 3/15/2022	Member	CDC	7/1/2021	6/30/2024	No
<b>Israa Kanfoud</b> Start: 6/12/2018	Treasurer	Finance (Chair)	7/1/2021	6/30/2024	Yes
<b>Dustin Embrey</b> Start: 2/23/2021	Chair	--	7/1/2021	6/30/2024	Yes
<b>Heather Flynt</b> Start: 3/1/2023	Member	Finance	7/1/2021	6/30/2024	Yes

**Call to Order:**

**Dustin Embrey**

- Dustin Embrey called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM
- Mission Statement: Endeavor Charter School’s mission is to engage K-8 students by integrating a challenging, hands-on academic program with multi-faceted fine arts courses in a familial environment.
- Vision 2018: Endeavor Charter School’s vision is a community of educators and families working together to graduate students who are motivated and curious, capable and confident, and prepared to make a positive impact on the world around them.

**Approval of Agenda:**

**Kristen Walsh**

- Kristen Walsh moved to approve the December 12, 2023 Agenda. Jaclyn Parks seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously.

### Approval of Minutes:

**Tracy DeMarco**

- Kristen Walsh moved to approve the November 14, 2023 Minutes. Jaclyn Parks seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously.

### Foundation Board Update:

**Dustin Embrey**

- Dustin Embrey shared that the Foundation will work on getting a letter to BCCG regarding a remedy to fix the leaking issues. After this past weekend with heavy rainfall, water accumulated in the gymnasium and in the auditorium.
- The Foundation Board will hold a meeting on December 21, 2023.

### PAWS Update:

**Lori D'Elia**

- HB 67 requires all Public Schools to make one hundred percent muscadine grape juice available. To keep in accordance with HB 67, PAWS will have one hundred percent muscadine grape juice available for students, upon request in the front office. PAWS has written up a blurb for Christi to publish to parents.
- Spirit Night on Thursday, November 30th at Bella Italia Raleigh (10630 Durant Rd, Raleigh, NC 27614) raised \$325.
- The next Spirit Night will be on Monday, January 15th at Big Air Trampoline Park (6421 Hilburn Dr, Raleigh, NC 27613). PAWS will receive 50% of ticket sales.
- Another upcoming Spirit Night will be on Saturday, June 1st at the Mudcats Game (1501 NC-39, Zebulon, NC 27597). PAWS will receive \$6 of the \$13 per each ticket price. The cast from the musical will be singing the National Anthem. Mr. Burt will be throwing out the first pitch. 150 tickets will be sold in the same section designated for ECS Families. Muddy, Mudcats Mascot, will be coming to the school at another time to visit the students. The Mudcat Team will also make a short clip for the 8th grade students for their graduation presentation. send a graduation video to the 8th graders at the end
- December 8th, PAWS had lunch catered for the staff by Romeo's Pizza (3612 Rogers Branch Rd, Wake Forest, NC 27587).
- There is \$6000 in grant money that will be awarded to various teachers who applied for grants from PAWS that will be announced on Friday, December 15, 2023.

### Committee Updates:

- Finance Committee

**Israa Kanfoud**

- Budget Update. Reviewed latest forecast.
- There were no invoices that needed to be approved.

- Governance Committee

**Kristen Walsh**

- Reviewed final draft of ECS's Parent's Bill of Rights Policy
  - **Kristen Walsh moved to approve the Parent's Bill of Rights Policy. Jaclyn Parks seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously.**

- Community Development Committee

**Jaclyn Parks**

- Report on Annual Fund. Becky Catlett reported on Giving Tuesday, over \$9500 was collected in about 24 hours. This brings the total amount to 36% of the way to our annual fund goal. She will be giving a thermometer update after the new year for families as well as opening up the opportunity for parents to adopt a chair in the auditorium. Currently, there are 61 families participating in recurring monthly payments toward the annual fund.

- Other Updates. Jaclyn Parks reported the CDC will be getting in contact and getting quotes from companies on creating plaques for display around the school. She reported the committee will be narrowing it down to 2-3 businesses to present to the board.

### **Director's Update:**

**Christi Whiteside**

- Our school's newly formed School Improvement Team met for two days on site at the Radeas Labs to establish our procedures and expectations as well as an initial set of goals. We are thrilled to have 13 representatives from different grades, subjects, and one ECS parent.
- We held our second Men at Work Day on December 1. We had a small turnout, but they got great things done.
- 3rd graders performed their Aesop plays
- Our 2nd Annual Points for the Pride competition was held on the Dec 8 early release day. The students in each grade were paired and given 2 minutes on the court to see how many baskets their "team" could make. Members of our ECS Pride basketball teams helped the PE teachers lead the students through a tight schedule to get every elementary student participating. Grade level winning teams were announced yesterday. Total baskets made = 3,262!!
- Dec 8 was also our first middle school dance of the year. 215 of our 300 middle school students purchased a ticket!
- 4th graders are performing their pirate plays this week
- 3rd grade and 5th grade have field trips this week.
- This week also is ECS spirit week for all students and staff.
- The middle school extravaganza events begin tomorrow. Students could bid on the chance to play on the staff v kids volleyball game, free gym time, practice with hurricanes staff, cookie decorating, a dino dig, or competing in an inflatable race. They could purchase a pancake breakfast, hat day, switching their schedule for a day, hot chocolate or apple cider at lunch, s'more making at lunch, bringing a stuffed animal to school, and indoor recess.
- Thursday night is our winter band concert.
- Kindergarten celebrates Holidays Around the World on Friday.
- End of semester pep rallies are happening for elementary grades before track out and the middle school closing ceremony happens next Tuesday.

### **Officer Elections:**

**Dustin Embrey**

Dustin Embrey shared that the officer elections have been deferred to the January Board Meeting, which will be held on January 23rd.

### **5-Year Strategic Plan:**

**Dustin Embrey**

- Dustin Embrey shared that the presentation of the Strategic 5-year Plan was held at the Town Hall on December 5, 2023. One of the initiatives has already been sent to staff this week encouraging all to participate.
- The Town Hall to present to parents is still scheduled for January 10, 2023.

**Public Comment:**

There were no public comments.

**Closed Session:**

Dustin Embrey has moved to closed session at 7:21PM.

**Adjournment:**

Dustin Embrey adjourned the meeting at 7:45 PM

**Dustin Embrey**