



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF HEALTHY START ACADEMY
 Healthy Start Academy, 807 West Chapel Hill Street
 Durham, North Carolina 27701

Day of Meeting	Date of Meeting	Time of Meeting	In-Person/ZOOM/Conference Call
Thursday	1/27/2022	5:00 PM	In Person

Board Minutes

Board Members Present:

Elizabeth Morey
 Gwendolyn Wicker (via Zoom)
 John DeBerry (via Zoom)
 April Twine
 Preston Edwards (via Zoom)
 Richard Ford
 Cary Cain
 Gerald McNair (via Zoom)
 Beatrice Chestnutt (via Phone)

Staff Members and Others Present:

Alex Quigley, Executive Director
 Teron McFadden, Principal
 Philip Adkins, Attorney (via Zoom)
 Kathy Davies, Acadia Northstar

Board Members Absent:

Michael Page

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at:

Time:	5:05 PM
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Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was rendered.

Privilege of the Floor

Summary:
There was no one present for privilege of the floor

Approval of Agenda

Motion:
Mr. Cain motioned to approve the agenda.
Seconded by:
Mr. Ford
Vote:
Unanimously approved

Approval of Board Minutes

Motion:
Mr. Cain motioned to approve the board minutes of 1/27/2021
Seconded by:
Ms. Twine
Vote:
Unanimously passed

REPORTS

Financial Report

Summary:
Ms. Davies report that the school's finances was in good shape, although it may not be reflected on the report. This deficits were due to federal money not being available in time. Ms. Davies added that the February report would look much cleaner and that once those federal allotments were available they would be applied and adjustments made. Ms. Morey added she was working with ANS to transition monthly bills such as utilities to ACH drafts in order to make is a cleaner process. There were board questions on specific PRC lines which Ms. Davies answered.

Motion:
Ms. Wicker motioned to approve the financial report
Seconded by:
Ms. Twine
Vote:
Unanimously passed



OLD BUSINESS

State School Board/Office of Charter Schools Meetings

Summary:

Ms. Morey stated the State Board of Education and the OCS Board have been having a lot of emergency meetings.

Durham Charter Collaborative (DCC)

Summary:

Ms. Morey reported that the Durham Collaborative is not currently meeting.

Executive Director’s Report

Summary:

Mr. Quigley presented to the board a testing updated on the last benchmark assessments given to students. He reported that there had been significant increases. Mr. Quigley also shared an update on COVID testing and the overall teacher morale in response to COVID. An enrollment update was provided. Mr. Quigley added that recruitment was going very well in addition to the prospective parent information sessions.

Remote Learning - Mr. Quigley gave the board dates in the month of January that the school’s calendar was changed due to either COVID or inclement weather.

Retention in Grades K-3 - Mr. Quigley presented a retention policy for students in grades K-3 who are not able to read on their grade level regardless of their classroom grades. There was board discussion.

Building Update - Mr. Quigley reported the lease on the annex building had been signed. He also shared that announcements would be made to 8th grade students and their parents. Mr. Quigley then shared his plan for recruiting 9th grade students and will engage with other resources and agencies to assist with the set-up of the high school to ensure compliance. There was board discussion.

Mission and Name - In preparation for the growth of HSA, Mr. Quigley shared a new mission proposal with the board and four possibilities of a new name for Healthy Start Academy. There was lengthy board discussion on this matter.

NEW BUSINESS

State Masking Vote Requirement

Summary:

The board discussed the pros and cons of wearing masks in school. The school will continue to follow the recommendations of DHHS.



VOTES

- Approve Masking Policy
- Approve of Remote Learning Days
- Lower Elementary Retention Plan
- School Mission and Name Change

Motion:

Mr. Edwards motioned that the slate of votes for the masking policy, remote learning days, lower elementary retention plan be approved

Seconded by:

Mr. Ford

Vote:

Unanimously passed

Motion:

Mr. McNair motioned that the proposed mission be approved and the school's name change to Durham Charter School be approved.

Seconded by:

Mr. Cain

Vote:

Unanimously passed with no objections.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for:

February 24, 2022 at 5:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Motion:

Mr. Edwards motioned to adjourn the board meeting

Seconded by:

Ms. Twine

Vote:

Unanimously passed

Time of Adjournment:

6:25 pm