



**ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR INTEGRATED ACADEMICS
AND TECHNOLOGIES LITTLE ROCK, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, August 25, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:14 p.m. A quorum was established.

Member Present: Lindsay Brown, Phillip Hood, Essie Talley

Members Absent: James Graham, Brett Smith

Guests/Staff Members: Chris Bell, Stacy Burse, Kris Mallory, Katie Tatum, Tanita Taylor

AGENDA ITEM #1 - CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by member Hood and seconded by member Brown, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda with the following correction.

- A. **Approved** Regular Meeting Agenda for August 25, 2016
- B. **Approved** Regular Meeting Minutes from June 23, 2016 – Ms. Tatum noted that the minutes for June 23, 2016, Agenda Item #5A is incorrect. A Principals report was given at the meeting via PowerPoint.

AGENDA ITEM #2 - PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments on agenda items.

AGENDA ITEM #3 - FINANCE/BUSINESS SERVICES

A. Receive/ Approve Monthly Financial Summary

Chris Bell reviewed the June financial report with the Board. There were no questions from the board members on the monthly financials

The Board accepted the Financial Report as presented, approval not required.

B. Discuss/Approve Resolution to Authorize Facsimile Signatures

New state upgraded system allows for facsimile applied signature to checks but we have not used them in the past. Requesting Board approval for the use of facsimile applied signatures.

On a motion by member Brown and seconded by member Hood, the Board unanimously approved the Resolution to Authorize Facsimile Signatures.

AGENDA ITEM #4. REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. Principal's Report

- Dr. Amy Lansing and Wendy Plante from UCSD provided Professional Development training for the staff centered on Trauma Informed Care.
- School was back in session on the 15th with 93 students and enrollment is up to 190 students today.
- SIATech Little Rock has been designated as an Alternative Learning School

for 1 room for 35 students. This will mean an increase of \$4,000+ per student over and above the regular ADM. Along with the ALS designation, the school will be eligible to apply as a Title I school.

- Added two new teachers, Ms. Patterson and Mrs. Taylor
- Ms. Tatum attended various mandated district meetings over the summer including School Improvement, AAE , ESOL and others.

B. Central Office Update – *Kris Mallory*

- Upgraded PowerSchool now includes Momentum Tracker a case load management system. The teacher are able to track student progress, make sure they are on schedule and meet with them if there are issues that need to be reviewed.
- Rollout of the new Learning Management System, – Schoology – receiving positive feedback from both students and staff.
- Fall Leadership is scheduled for October 27th; the Alternative Accountability Policy Forum is scheduled for October 28 & 29.
- Trauma Informed Care training took place in August for FL and AR staff
- Inherited two new schools in FL and are in the process of transitioning them from their current management company to the SIATech family.

AGENDA ITEM #5 - BOARD BUSINESS

A. Nominate/Seat Board Member Candidate, Mr. James Williams

Mr. Williams was not in attendance. Opted to hold to a five member board at this time.

B. Review/Approve Board Terms for Current Directors – *Kris Mallory*

Board members Hood and Murry have expiring terms. Mr. Hood will continue on the Board but Mr. Murry declined to renew his term (expired on June 30, 2016).

On a motion by member Brown and seconded by member Talley, the Board unanimously approved renewing the board term for Mr. Hood.

C. Approve Board Officers for 2016-17 – *Kris Mallory*

Mr. Murray is no longer on the Board so a new Vice-President/Treasurer is needed. Mr. Hood accepted the nomination for Vice President; Ms. Talley will continue to serve as President and Mr. Graham will continue as Board Secretary.

On a motion by member Brown and seconded by member Talley, the Board unanimously approved the slate of officers for 2016-2017.

B. Proposed Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting – September 22, 2016

Annual Financial Report
Facilities Discussion/Action

AGENDA ITEM #6 - FINAL REMARKS

The Board asked what space was needed to address the ALS population and what other funding sources might be available to help with expansion expenses. This will be on the next meeting agenda for further discussion and action if needed.

Ms. Tatum noted that the school was audited for its student nutrition program and a number of students were left off the list. The district reviewed and corrected the list and additional funding will be coming but will be in the format of incremental adjustments over the next 3 years. This will present a hardship in serving the nutritional needs of the growing population so Ms. Tatum will be looking for additional outside funding to help with this.

AGENDA ITEM #7 - EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Discipline Case #2016-17.001
- B. Discipline Case #2016-17.002

Convene to Executive Session **Time:** 3:46 p.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting **Time:** 3:48

Report of Action Taken (if any):

Discipline Case #2016-17.001: Student expelled to end of semester; may return in January 2017

Discipline Case #2016-17.002: Tabled to September Board meeting

AGENDA ITEM #8 - ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:08 p.m.

Minutes Recorder: Stacy Burse


James Graham, Board Secretary

9-22-16
Date