



**ARKANSAS SCHOOL FOR INTEGRATED ACADEMICS
AND TECHNOLOGIES LITTLE ROCK, INC.**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 15, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. Quorum was established.

Members Present: James Graham, Philip Hood, Brett Smith, Essie Talley

Members Absent: Lindsay Brown

Guests/Staff Members: Chris Bell, Stacy Burse, Dr. Dawson, Katie Tatum, Tanita Taylor

AGENDA ITEM #1 – CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by member Graham and seconded by member Smith, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda as presented (see below).

A. **Approve** Meeting Agenda for December 15, 2016

B. **Approve** Regular Meeting Minutes for November 17, 2016

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

- November Financial Report

Mr. Bell reviewed the November Financial Report with the Board.

The Board received the November monthly financial summary as presented by Chris Bell.

- Mr. Smith asked about the possibility of applying for Title 1 funds
 - Ms. Tatum stated that the school did receive Title 1 Funds - \$40,000 designated for Social Worker
 - Dawson stated that we currently have Title 1 schools in CA as the student population is younger.
- Mr. Bell stated that the current enrollment is 148; originally budgeted at 166 students. He stated that fluctuation in enrollment is typical.
- Walton Foundation Grant – Dr. Hall is working on a proposal.

AGENDA ITEM #4 - REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. **Principal's Report:** Ms. Tatum gave her report. She stated:

- The new English teacher started on Monday
- Submitted paperwork for the Social Studies applicant
- Hired a new cafeteria worker
- Tanita submitted the Cycle 4 report on time with no errors.
- Ms. Tatum, Ms. Bryant and Dr. Dawson met with the Accountability Officer; trying to improve reporting efforts; allowed us to use goals from the charter

- Mr. Smith and Mr. Graham completed their six hour annual training requirement
- Tanita stated that Ms. Tatum will graduate with EDS tomorrow

B. Central Office Update: Dr. Dawson gave the Central Office Update. She stated:

- Alternative Accountability/Policy Forum was a great success.
- For the first time in 10 years, there is an increase in California student enrollment
 - Focused on opening Independent Study schools (not linked to Job Corps)
- Encourage staff to work on what we can do to shore up full implementation of the instructional and accountability model; also continue to look for external funding sources
- Board is supportive of SIATech Little Rock but doesn't want debt to grow. Willing to help in any way we can.
- School has a great reputation in the community; encouraged by change in direction by accountability office. This will give a better pictures of what we do.
- Congratulated SIATech Little Rock for the number of students attaining their high school diploma; this is indicative of a good program.

AGENDA ITEM #5- BOARD BUSINESS

A. Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting – January 26, 2017

- Financial Report
- Principal's Report

AGENDA ITEM #6 – FINAL REMARKS

There were no remarks or other business.

AGENDA ITEM #7 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discipline Case #2016-17.009

Convene to Executive Session Time: 3:40 p.m.


Reconvene to Regular Meeting Time: 4:38 p.m.

Report of Action Taken (if any): Student may return to school but must complete work and attain his/her diploma by February 15, 2017. During this time frame, the student may not have more than three absences. Infractions with staff or students will result in another hearing; expulsion will be recommended.

AGENDA ITEM #8 – ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:39 p.m.

Minutes Recorder: Stacy Burse


James Graham, Board Secretary

1-26-17
Date