



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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, May 25, 2017**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**Members Present:** James Graham, Phillip Hood, Essie Talley

**Members Absent:** Brett Smith

**Guests/Staff Members:** Chris Bell, Dr. Larrie Hall, Courtney Robinson, Freddie Scott, Katie Tatum, Tanita Taylor, James Williams

**AGENDA ITEM #1 – CONSENT AGENDA**

***On a motion by member Graham and seconded by member Hood, the Board unanimously approved the consent agenda with the changes noted below:***

- A. **Approve** Meeting Agenda for May 25, 2017
  - ***Add 'Approve 2017-2018 Student Handbook'***
- B. **Approve** Regular Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2017

**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
  - March Financial Report

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

**AGENDA ITEM #4 - REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. **Principal's Report:** Ms. Tatum gave her report. She stated:
  - Attended Ray Mobile Safety-Panic Button Hazmat training on May 9
  - Attended Ben E. Keith Vendor Food Show on May 10 seeking non-perishables for extended days
  - Reflective Review was held with School Improvement Specialist, Sharesa White, on May 18
  - Attended Governance Workshop
  - The 2017-18 Bell Schedule is included in the board packet for your information.

**Central Office Update:** Dr. Hall gave the Central Office Update He stated:

- Students at SIATech Perris Independent Study were honored at the Directing Change Awards in Riverside County. They submitted a PSA (Public Service Announcement) clip to inform the public about the importance of suicide prevention. The students received an Honorable Mention for their efforts.
- Staff Appreciation – honored staff throughout the organization with starfish pins. Every "starfish" re-engaged has an exponential effect on the entire community. Service pins

were also given to employees denoting years of service with the company (5, 10, 15, 20 years). Ms. Tatum and Tanita each received a 5-year pin.

- A new MYcrosschool for drop out recovery will be opening in Pasco County (outside of Tampa).
- NEWCorp took over as the Educational Service Provider for two schools (Biscayne High School & Lone Star High School) in Jacksonville, Florida formerly operated by a 'for profit' charter management company.
- Kris Mallory is retiring June 30, 2017. Dr. Hall extended his thanks to Ms. Mallory for her service to SIATech and her support to SIATech Little Rock. Interviews for the Chief Academic Officer are in process.

#### **AGENDA ITEM #5- BOARD BUSINESS**

##### **A. Seat Board Candidate, Mr. James Williams**

***Mr. James Williams took the oath of office and was officially seated on the SIATech Little Rock Board of Directors.***

##### **B. Approve 2017-2018 Special Education Program Application**

- Statement of Intent to utilize Special Education funds and adhere to all assurances with appropriate policies to implement the Special Education program

***On a motion by member Graham and seconded by member Hood, the Board unanimously approved the 2017-2018 Special Education Program Application.***

##### **C. Approve 2017-2018 Community Eligibility Participation (CEP) for 2017-18**

- School is 100% severe needs

***On a motion by member Hood and seconded by member Graham, the Board unanimously approved 2017-18 Community Eligibility Participation.***

##### **D. Discuss/Approve 2017-18 Board Meeting Calendar**

The draft of the calendar for 2017-18 reflects:

- No meeting in July
- The majority of the board meetings are scheduled on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month.

Exceptions are:

- November 9 (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
- December 14 (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
- March – 15 (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday)

***On a motion by member Graham and seconded by member Hood, the Board unanimously approved the 2017-2018 Board Meeting Calendar.***

##### **E. Approve 2017-2018 Student Handbook**

A memo was included in the board packet reflecting the changes for the 2017-2018 Student Handbook.

***On a motion by member Graham and seconded by member Hood, the Board unanimously approved the 2017-2018 Student Handbook.***

##### **F. Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting – June 22, 2017**

- Financial Report
- Principal's Report
- Review/Approve Board Terms for Current Directors
- Approve Board Officers for 2017-18
- Review/Complete 2017-18 Conflict of Interest Form & Board Information Sheet

**AGENDA ITEM #6 – FINAL REMARKS**

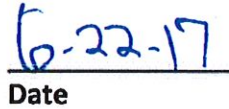
Guest, Freddie Scott, Operations Manager of the Charter School Unit/Arkansas Department of Education, extended his appreciation to Ms. Tatum and the Board. He informed the Board that he conducts both unannounced (today's visit was unannounced) and announced observations of school boards. He will provide an assessment of his observation for today's visit along with a ledger regarding information about an announced observation. Mr. Scott informed the Board that they are welcome to contact him; he would be happy to provide resources and/or assistance.

**AGENDA ITEM #7 – ADJOURNMENT**

Having no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:55p.m.

**Minutes Recorder: Tanita Taylor/Courtney Robinson**

  
James Graham, Board Secretary

  
Date