

Mevers School of Excellence Board of Directors Meeting May Budget Workshop Minutes May 14, 2020

## **MEETING HELD AT:**

Via ZOOM

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
Stewart Weinberg   President	Х		May 2020
Sandy Hightower   Vice-President		X	May 2021
Jeff Hajek   Treasurer	X		March 2021
Cheryl Hollis   Secretary	X		May 2021
Joseph Bowers   Director		X	May 2020
Henry Brown   Director	X		May 2020

#### **NON-BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:**

- 1. Shauna Bell, Governor Board Liaison CSUSA
- 2. Brenda Coyle, Assistant Principal Mevers School of Excellence
- 3. Brittany Davidson, teacher Mevers School of Excellence
- 4. Leah Dellicarpini, Chief of Strategy CSUSA
- 5. Keith Geddings, Financial Analyst CSUSA
- 6. Cande Killian-Wood, Deputy Director of Operations CSUSA
- 7. Renee Michels-Ford, Carolina State Finance Director CSUSA
- 8. Greg Stickel, Principal Mevers School of Excellence

## I. ADMINISTRATIVE

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Stewart Weinberg called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

## II. BUDGET WORKSHOP

1. Q3 Financials

Renee Michels-Ford reviewed the Q3 financials. Highlighted items of discussion included cost regarding custodial staff, electrical costs and insurance. The Board requested air condition in the building is turned up to save costs while no one is in the building. In addition, the Board would like for CSUSA to provide information on insurance in order to look for bids from other companies.

## 2. Budget presentation

The Board reviewed the 2020-2021 budget presentation. Main topic of discussion included the following:

a. Enrollment

The Budget is currently built off projected enrollment number of 885. Principal Stickel reported that current enrollment for next year is 942. He also discussed the marketing and engagement activities to maintain and increase enrollment. The Board discussed which enrollment numbers they to use for budgeting and members wanted to see a budget based on 967.



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Board president asked Board members to continue to think about which number they would feel comfortable using for a June vote on the budget.

## b. Personnel

Board president discussed the separation of SC from the NC state leadership and the impact that decision will have on Mevers school leadership. CSUSA proposal is to hire an additional AP for Mevers and potentially moving them to Berkeley Prep when it opens as a principal. Principal Stickel provided his opinion that he believes a plan to have an AP and a Dean for Mevers would be a better option for Mevers. This will set Mevers up for long-term success and potentially provide a better pool of candidates for the Berkeley Prep School leadership.

Management Agreement
 Board president initiated a conversation about the management fee
 agreement with CSUSA given the fact that Erskine – the charter authorizer –
 offers similar services for the Board and school.

# 3. Berkeley Prep and Cane Bay update

The Board president provided a status update on Berkeley Prep and Cane Bay. The Board discussed a possible policy that would allow parents to enroll in one school and transfer to another school governed under the Board.

# **NEXT MEETING:**

Thursday, May 28, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. Mevers School of Excellence

Cheryl Hollis, Board Secretary

Cheryl Hollis

Date 6/25/2020