

Mevers School of Excellence Board of Directors Meeting September Meeting Minutes September 24, 2020

## **MEETING HELD AT:**

Via ZOOM

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

	PRESENT	NOT PRESENT	TERM EXPIRATION DATE
Stewart Weinberg   President	X		May 2022
Sandy Hightower   Vice-President	X		May 2021
Jeff Hajek   Treasurer	Х		March 2021
Cheryl Hollis   Secretary	X		May 2021
Joseph Bowers   Director	X		May 2022
Henry Brown   Director	X		May 2022
Maria Sweet   Director	Х		May 2021

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

- 1. Shauna Bell, Governor Board Liaison CSUSA
- 2. Leah Dellicarpini, Chief of Strategy LaunchED Solutions
- 3. Keith Geddings, Financial Analyst CSUSA
- 4. Renee Michels-Ford, Carolina State Finance Director CSUSA
- 5. Bill Roach, State Director CSUSA
- 6. Greg Stickel, Principal Mevers School of Excellence
- 7. Corbet Wilson, Director of Curriculum and Instruction CSUSA

## I. ADMINISTRATIVE

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, Board President, Stewart Weinberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was held, and quorum was established.

### II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by Joseph Bowers and seconded by Jeff Hajek to go into executive session. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by Sandy Hightower and seconded by Maria Sweet to return to open session. Motion passed unanimously.

## III. ADMINISTRATIVE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by Joseph Bowers and seconded by Cheryl Hollis to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

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APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 27, 2020 AND SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 MEETING MINUTES
 <u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by Cheryl Hollis and seconded by Joseph Bowers to approve
 the August 27, 2020 and September 16, 2020 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

### IV. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

# 1. Principal Report

Principal Greg Stickel reported on the great work teachers were doing to provide three different modes of instruction for students. Enrollment is at 957. iPads have arrived earlier in the week and teachers were trained on the best way to use them for students. Additionally, 79 students have moved from remote to in-person education. The school is looking into purchasing plexiglass to accommodate additional students safely. Administration is using NWEA data to tailor education and learning for each student.

# 2. Preliminary Year end financials

Board president Stewart Weinberg inform the Board about the process for payment from the state.

<u>MOTION</u>: Motion was made by Joseph Bowers and seconded by Jeff Hajek to approve the financial report actuals ending August 20, 2020. Motion passed unanimously.

#### V. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Strategic Planning Session

The Board will have a strategic planning session with the Board, Erskine, CSUSA and

The Board discussed common goals:

- Jeff Hajek Increase community engagement through increased partnerships.
- Stewart Weinberg Continue and grow on the existing excellence in the education process; Create a legislative forum for local and state legislatures.
- Sandy Hightower Continued teacher, staff and Board communication and support.
- Cheryl Hollis Continued strategic planning that is specific, proactive and data-driven.
- Joseph Bowers Provide opportunities for continuing education for teachers to increase certifications and salary.

# Barriers and challenges:

- Charter Schools are not part of the education financing. Need to continue to get legislature to keep as a line item.
- Funding for public charter schools that are Charted by the state versus the county.
- Lack of corporate sponsorships.
- Development of SC organization with CSUSA.
- 2. Development Agreement with Red Apple for Berkeley Prep and Development agreement with Gramling

The Board continues to provide authorization to the President to develop an agreement with Red Apple and Gramling for Berkeley Prep.



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VI.	PUBLIC COMMENTS There were no public comments.	
VII.	ADJOURNMENT	
	MOTION: Motion was made by Jeff Hajek and seconded meeting of the Berkeley Charter Education Association.	
Thurse	<b>MEETING:</b> day, October 22, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m. rs School of Excellence	
		Sandy Hightower, Board Secretary
		Date