## **Cirrus Education Group, Inc.**

**Governance Board** 

**Meeting Minutes** 

**September 29, 2021** 

6:16 P. M. (Virtual)

### I. Call to Order

The president called to order the regular meeting of the Governance Board of Cirrus Academy Charter School at 6:16 P.M. September 29, 2021.

- **II. Members present:** Sheldon Hart, President, Shirlynn Kelly, Vice President. Nathan Lewis, Treasurer, Latrell Taylor, Albert Rogers, Secretary. Joe Morris (new board member).
- III. Staff present, Dr. Gail Fowler, CEO/Superintendent, LaShondra Fowler, Diane Freeman, Stanley Williams, Wendy Brinson, Lwyante Bonner.
- IV. Others: Bambo Sonaike, CPA and Kelsy Vargo and a person at 1478.335.5643.
- **V. Approval of Agenda:** Nathan Lewis moved to approve the Agenda. Shirlynn Kelly seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- VI. **Approval of August 24, 2021 Board Minutes.** Shirlynn Kelly motioned to accept. Seconded by Latrell Taylor. Motion passed unanimously.
- VII. Approval of Joe Morris as a Board Member by Sheldon Hart. Seconded by Nathan Lewis. Passed unanimously

## VIII. Reports:

- a. Community Comment: none
- b. Executive Director; Dr. Gail Fowler
  - i. COVID-19 UPDATES
  - ii. Worked with GADOE's School Improvement Specialist, Dan DE Wolf and Barry Williams to update Cirrus's plan.
  - iii. Weekly teacher/paraprofessional learning sessions were conducted by Lwyante Bonner and Shiona Drummer.
  - iv. Using data to ensure that scholars with a disability are not left behind.

- v. Free Grade level Instructional Books for Math, ELA, Science and Social Studies were distributed for pick-up to support at-home learning.
- vi. All Scholars have been assed using the MAP Assessment. The assessment was used to identify EIP students in grades K-5 and REP students in grades 6-8.
- vii. Updated COVID Employee Policy was given.
- viii. The required GADOE Remedial Questionnaire was completed and submitted.
- ix. All board members were mailed a bind copy of the Strategic Plan.
- x. Dr Fowler led and engaged the Leadership Team in responding to the Readiness Diagnostic in preparation for COGNIA, the accrediting agency.
- xi. The SCSC monitoring Visit is scheduled for October 14, at 1:P. M.
- xii. Enrollment is 520 scholars.
- xiii. Student Attendance & Virtual Learning: a student is considered to be "in attendance when he or she is participating in active instruction.
- xiv. FTE Count Day is Tuesday, October 6, 2021.
- xv. Parent Meetings: April Dean (Parent Engagement Coordinator) conducted two successful Zoom Meetings with parents.
- xvi. On Tuesday, we started our meal and fresh fruit up, sponsored by Forest Hill United Methodist Church.
- c. CFO /Finance Director August Report: (S. Williams)
  - i. SCSC Performance Framework (Financial)
  - ii. Budget vs Actuals for FY 20-21 (of July 30, 2021)
  - iii. FY 20-21 Audit update
- d. Committee Reports:
  - i. Academic/Assessment Committee Report (Albert Rogers)
    - 1. Academic Standards:
      - a. Literacy Coach (Jacquez Harris) Implementing "Read -A-Loud Book A week program. Breakfast Club and After School Reading Programs. Literacy Night is scheduled for October 7.
      - b. Math Coach (Jonda Rhoden) Implementing Math Remediation Program
      - c. Instructional Coaches Chanda Williams and Lywante Bonner) Establishing Standards Based Centers

- ii. Finance/ Audit Committee Report (Nathan Lewis:) Committee met Virtual on September 29, 5:08 P.M. Discussed:
  - 1. Post Funding Loan Requirement, EIDL
  - 2. Fy20-21 Budget vs Actual
  - 3. Reviewed Finance CPF (15 points in all categories, total points 95)
  - 4. Got an update of Audit
  - 5. Review Purchase of School Bus (\$18,000.00)
  - 6. Financial Report for August 31,2021
- iii. Personnel Committee Report (Shirlynn Kelly) No Report

#### IX. Unfinished Business

- a. Resolutions
  - (R21092403) Acceptance of August CFO Report. Motion to accept by Nathan Lewis. Seconded by Albert Rogers. 4 yeas 1 abstention. Motion passed.
  - **b.** (R21092404) Acceptance of CACS Student/Parent Handbook Code of Conduct Update FY 21-22. Motion to accept by Albert Rogers. Seconded by Latrell Taylor. 4 yeas 1 abstention. Approved.
  - **c.** (R21092405) CACS Employee Handbook Update FY 21-22. Motion to approve Albert Rogers. Seconded by Latrell Taylor 4 yeas, 1 abstention. Motion passed.
  - **d.** (R21092406) CACS Safety Plan Update FY 21-22. Motioned by albert Rogers to accept. Seconded by Nathan Lewis. 4 yeas, 1 Abstention. Motion passed.
  - **e.** (R21092407) Alternative Program Recommendation. Motioned to accept by Latrell Taylor. Seconded by Albert Rogers. 4 yeas, 1 Abstention. Motion passed.
  - f. (R21092408) CACS Staff and Scholars Property Replacement Policy. Motioned to Approve by Albert Rogers. Seconded by Latrell Taylor. 4yeas. 1 Abstention. Motion passed.
  - **g.** (R21092409) Acceptance of FY 20-21 CEG Financial Audit. Motioned to accept by Latrell Taylor. Seconded by Nathan Lewis. 4 yeas. 1 Abstention. Motion passed.
- X. Executive Session Finance Motioned by Albert Rogers. Seconded by Nathan Lewis. Passed unanimously. Entered into session at 7:32 P.M. Return from Executive Session 7:46 P.M.

NOTE: Joe Morris, being just voted as a new Board member, chose to abstain from casting a vote.

# XI. Next Board Meting: October 19, 2021

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Albert Rogers. Seconded by Joe Morris. Passed unanimously; Meeting adjourned at 7:50P.M.

Minutes approved October 26, 2021

Minutes submitted by: Albert H. Rogers