



CIRRUS EDUCATION GROUP, INC. GOVERNANCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes

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September 10, 2024

6:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

Board Chair Taylor called the meeting to order at approximately 6:03 pm.

1.1. Attendance

Board Members Present: Shirlynn Kelly, Latrell Taylor, Lisa Golphin, and Rhonda Finley, Board Member Olagunju were present. Mr. Williams, Cirrus Academy Charter School staff, Mr. Gregg Stevens, Mr. Terence Washington, and members of the public were also present.

1.2. Approval of Agenda

Board Member Finley made a motion to approve the agenda and Board Member Kelly seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of those present.

1.3. Head of School Report

On September 3rd, during a professional learning day, the teaching program and upcoming school year schedule were outlined for teachers. Pre-evaluation conferences, self-assessments, and professional learning goals will be conducted on Monday, September 17th, followed by observation walkthroughs on Friday, September 20th. Mr. Barrow Williams confirmed that Cirrus is still on track with its teaching compliance.

In August, MAP tests were completed within the first 10 days of school. Ms. Diane Freeman presented data showing significant student growth compared to the previous spring semester. Notably, 56% of students who were previously in the 10th percentile have moved into higher ranges, with some even reaching the gifted percentile ("blue"). Growth in both math and reading improved, with many students advancing to higher percentiles.

Milestones reports for ELA and math showed varying levels of proficiency across grade levels.

Plans to introduce science subjects earlier aim to raise future test scores. Teacher growth incentives are being considered to encourage new strategies for student achievement. Additionally, positive behavior interventions are planned to reduce suspensions and fights.

Cirrus currently has a 97% attendance rate and an active shooter plan in place. Enrollment stands at 421 students, slightly higher than August, with plans to attract more students. There are no current teaching vacancies.

2. Executive Session

At approximately 6:38 pm, Chair Taylor called for a motion to enter into executive session as authorized by to O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2) for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee. Board Member Kelly made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel and Board Member Finley seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of all present.

2.1. The Governing Board will enter into executive session pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2) for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee.

The Board adjourned Executive Session at approximately 8:40 pm and called the public meeting back to order with all members present.

3. Action Item(s)

Board Member Taylor made a motion to make an employment offer to the Head of School candidate and Board Member Golphin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 1, with Mr. Olagunju, Ms. Kelly, Ms. Golphin, and Ms. Taylor voting to approve the motion and Ms. Finley against the motion.

Board Member Finley made a motion to amend the agenda to remove the meeting's remaining action items and Board Member Golphin seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of those present.

4. Adjournment

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At approximately 8:44 pm, Board Member Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Board Member Finley provided a second. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote of those present.