

**The College Preparatory & Leadership Academy
Via Teleconference due to CPVOD-19 Precautions
December 12, 2020 @ 10:00am**

Members Present: K. Grier, T. Turner, E. Varnado, M. Johnson, T. Johnson, L. McRae, M. Brandon

Absent: None

Public Comments: None.

Minutes:

T. Turner moved, Dr. Varnado seconded to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2020 meeting. Approved.

Superintendent's Update

Dr. Johnson reviewed the Engagement Report which documents the percentage of students who are actively engaged in remote learning. Elementary School = 95%, Middle School = 98%, High School = 90%. Dr. Johnson reviewed the strategies to engage the handful of students who are not engaged. A large part of the strategy involves transitioning the unengaged students to the hybrid learning program to get them on campus one day per week. Most of the elementary school unengaged students are Kindergarten and 1st grade. CP&LA is implementing a night school class at 6pm for K-1 so that parents who work can help them once they get home in the evening. None of the unengagement is due to technology issues—the school has provided internet access and devices to every student who needs it.

The school received 93 requests from families who want their children to transition from remote to hybrid in January—most are lower elementary. That will make a total of 403 hybrid students and 427 full remote students. The remote students will remain so throughout the end of the year. The school has the capacity to accommodate the additional hybrid students on campus and still observe social distancing and other CDC recommendations. All students will still sit 6 feet apart.

Dr. Johnson reviewed the school's progress in the charter renewal process.

Dr. Johnson shared that the school is undergoing regularly scheduled EC Audit and also Federal Cross-Program Consolidated Audit.

Dr. Johnson shared that the school is beginning the process of gaining NCAA certification. CP&LA will not likely have athletics this year due to COVID. Nearly all of the schools in our athletic conference have made the same decision.

Dr. Johnson is invited to sit on the Legislative Committee of the NC Association of Public Charter Schools.

L. McRae moved, M. Brandon seconded to accept the Superintendent's Report. Approved.

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Business Leader's Update

T. Johnson reviewed the school's financial position.

T. Johnson also shared that the school plans to participate in the Federal School Nutrition Program for the 2021-2022 school year. The Board will vote on final approval to enter the program at its next meeting.

All full-time employees will receive a Winter Stipend to help with additional remote learning expenses.

T. Turner moved, L. McRae seconded to approved the Business Leader's Update. Approved.

Announcements and Adjournment

E. Varnado moved, T. Turner seconded to adjourn. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:56am.

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