

**The College Preparatory & Leadership Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
October 12, 2019 @ 10:00am**

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

Non-Members Present (special presentations): T. Ewell, C. Robinson

Members Absent: None.

Public Comments: None

Moved by T. Turner, seconded by E. Varnado to approve minutes from the July 20, 2019. Approved.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Tasha Ewell, Middle School Leader gave a report on 2018-2019 year-end testing scores by grade and subject. She discussed strategies that are now being implemented in the middle school to meet the school's goals in reading, math, and science.
- C. Robinson, Chief Academic Officer, gave a report on 2018-2019 proficiency rates for exceptional children. She discussed strategies that are now being implemented to serve these students. Also, the school will undergo a Program Compliance Review Audit— auditors will be onsite April 6-7. For 2018-2019, 8.5% of our students are classified as EC— this rate is much higher than the state average.
- M. Johnson reported on the difficulty she is having getting NCDPI to share the formulas they used to calculate the school's letter grade—she has been requesting it for over six weeks by email and by phone. Based on the information that NCDPI has provided, her calculations show different results. The school may have to engage its attorney to get the information that the school needs to focus its efforts.
- M. Johnson gave a report on enrollment.
- M. Johnson shared preliminary information about a Tuition-Reimbursement program for qualified employees to aid with employee retention.
- Members of the Congdon Foundation will be on campus to visit the school on November 6, 2019 to see how their grant money has been spent.
- M. Brandon moved, T. Turner seconded to approve the Superintendent's Report. Approved.

FINANCE REPORT

- T. Johnson presented Budget v. Actual report for July-September 2019 including DPI reports JHA305, JHA705, JHA714, and Monitoring Report. M. Brandon moved, B. Varnado seconded to approve report. Approved.
- The school's bank, BB&T needs the school to update its corporate resolution. BB&T Resolution and Agreement for Deposit Account presented with Dr. Michelle Johnson, Kevin Grier, and Tacuma Johnson listed as designated representatives. M. Brandon moved, E. Varnado seconded to approve corporate resolution. Approved.

BUILDING UPDATE

- Building finished—State of NC scheduled to inspect the elevator on next week. This is the last work to be done. Board will set the date for the Ribbon Cutting once complete.

Board entered closed session at 12:23pm.

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Board resumed open session at 12:31pm.

T. Turner moved, E. Varnado seconded to adjourn at 12:31pm. Approved.