



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

- Time and Place:** A meeting of the Hope Learning Academy-Chicago (HLA-C) Board was held Tuesday, October 19, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- Members Present:** Clint Paul, Chair; Amanda Brott, Nicki Fioretti, Michael Minton and David Tretter
- Members Absent:** Natasha Koprivica-Adler.
- Also Present:** Steve Helm, Michael Jakubowski, Jim Lee, Jodi Ogilvy, Skylar Tierney and Darlene Levine.
- Call to Order:** Mr. Paul called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
- Review of Minutes:** A motion was presented by Mr. Minton and seconded by Ms. Fioretti to approve minutes of the September 22, 2021 meeting. There being no objection, the motion carried unanimously.
- Public Comment:** No public attendees were present.
- Old Business:** No report.
- Executive Director Report:** Ms. Brott reported weekly Covid-19 tests are being completed on unvaccinated staff; Mr. Jakubowski noted a memo was sent out to all HLA-C employees outlining testing procedures.
- Principal's Report:** Mr. Jakubowski reviewed the 2021-2022 Organization Chart noting 58 full-time employees; 4 para vacancies; 83% of staff have been vaccinated. Mr. Jakubowski reviewed the class roster, noting census at 254; average attendance rate is 86%; and report cards will be distributed the 3rd week of November. Mr. Jakubowski noted that a meeting with Sean Precious is planned for October 20, with possible tour of school while youth are in session.
- Leadership Report:** Mr. Helm reviewed FY22 Budget was set before SpEd funds were received; number of youth was increased to offset SpEd original amount; expense variance will decrease as more school days are in session; negative surplus expected next 3 months. Following discussion, a motion was made by Ms. Fioretti and seconded by Mr. Tretter to approve the FY22 Budget and file with CPS. There being no objections, the motion carried.

Ms. Ogilvy reported Communications is working with Mr. Ramos on marketing materials; spring recruitment; and will be sending out a brand survey.

Mr. Tierney reported the Dream Car Raffle has begun, with grand prize drawing

early-November. Mr. Tierney added a \$250K community grant with Chicago is being drafted, funds would come through ISBE and help support a preschool; the final grant is due November 12.

New Business:

Mr. Paul reported a MOU regarding Title IX and Sexual Misconduct Allegations was shared; the MOU indicates Nicole Johnson, Asst. Principal as key School Representative; Mike Jakubowski, Principal and Jim Lee, Superintendent of Hope Schools as Decision Makers 1 & 2.

Mr. Paul reported a memo from CPS was received outlining the CTPF which notes 11.16% will be employer contribution; 9% will be employee contribution.

Executive Session:

No report.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion was presented by Mr. Paul and seconded by Ms. Fioretti to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Kristi Davison, Secretary
Vision for Hope Board