



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

- Time and Place:** A meeting of the Hope Learning Academy-Chicago (HLA-C) Board was held Wednesday, September 22, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- Members Present:** Clint Paul, Chair; Amanda Brott, Natasha Koprivica-Adler, Nicki Fioretti and Michael Minton.
- Members Absent:** David Tretter.
- Also Present:** Michael Jakubowski, Jim Lee, Jodi Ogilvy, Skylar Tierney and Darlene Levine.
- Call to Order:** Mr. Paul called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m.
- Review of Minutes:** A motion was presented by Mr. Minton and seconded by Ms. Fioretti to approve minutes of the May 11, 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 a Covid clinic is schedule at the school for employees, students and families, as well as walk-ins; approximately 65% of staff are vaccinated. Ms. Brott added test kits are low; currently working to get more test kits; Illinois Department of Public Health are no longer supplying the kits.
- Mr. Paul reported Hope Learning Academy-Chicago (HLA-C) teachers will be subject to the Chicago Teachers Pension Fund beginning January 1, 2022; those hired before July 1 have the option to join or decline; after that hire date employees will be automatically enrolled.
- Principal's Report:** Mr. Jakubowski reviewed the 2021-2022 Organization Chart noting full-time employees at 58; census at 247; 3 students tested Covid positive; 2 out of 3 classrooms went remote learning. Mr. Jakubowski also reviewed classroom caseloads and schedules, along with student daily schedules which allow for social and emotional time.
- Leadership Report:** Mr. Paul reviewed YTD Financials noting FY22 Budget included SPED cut; Hope requested an increase from CPS which was approved; a new budget is being completed with the increase funding. No action necessary.
- Ms. Ogilvy reported marketing campaign with Chicago Parent magazine is coming

to an end; plans are to run campaign again. Ms. Ogilvy added the Covid clinic will be advertised on social media; HLA-C was high on media search through Hope's site; with Mr. Jakubowski and Mr. Ramos' help, recruitment push will continue.

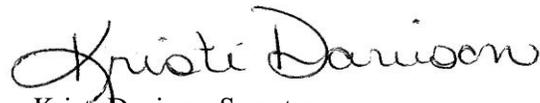
Mr. Tierney reported the Style of Hope event has been postponed; online Fund the Need was held; a Dream Car Raffle will start October 1<sup>st</sup>, with grand prize drawing early-November. Mr. Tierney added 5 grants are pending in the amount of \$24K for Chicago technology equipment.

**New Business:** Mr. Paul reported Sean Precious, Director of Innovation and Incubation, recently toured the school and talked about expansion. Mr. Jakubowski added he believes Mr. Precious has a good understanding of the Hope Learning Academy is and our mission; good first meeting.

**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 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristi Davison". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kristi Davison, Secretary  
Vision for Hope Board