



Board of Directors
Special Meeting Minutes
27 Balm Grove Avenue
Asheville, NC
3.27.23
5:30PM

Board Members: Gene Bell (Chair), Robby Russell (Treasurer), Dwight Mullen (Director), Andy Barnett (Director), Kathey Avery (Director), Kerry Freidman (Director), David Robinson (Director)

Present:

Robby Russell
Kerry Freidman
David Robinson
Kathey Avery
Dwight Mullen

Absent

Andy Barnett
Gene Bell

Others present: Kidada Wynn and Brenda Tipton

Robby Russell opens the meeting at 5:39 PM with five of seven members present.

I. Opening and Quorum:

The regular meeting was called to order by Gene Bell at 12:03PM with eight of nine members present.

II. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda and Minutes

Kerry Freidman moved to approve the consent agenda, Kathey Avery seconds. All unanimously agree and motion carries to approve consent agenda.

IV. Financial Report (Robby Russell)

Robby Russell reported that the audit had no findings. Robby Russell made a motion to accept the audit. Kerry Friedman moved to approve the audit and Kathey Avery seconds. All

unanimously agreed and the motion was carried to approve the audit. The Board discussed having a local firm complete the audit in the future.

V. School Leader Report

Kidada Wynn reported that we have a morning bus route going and the afternoon routes have been split up into two runs to lessen the time scholars are on the bus. She also discussed the possibility of onsite food preparation for next year using the kitchen at the church. Christine Avery is willing to help with the paperwork to utilize the same program they use for their lunch program. Kidada Wynn will connect with the church personnel on utilizing more space on campus to make room for the growing enrollment including the Pre-K classroom. She also reported that the community engagement with the Hispanic population was successful. There will be a meeting set up with Dogwood that Dr. Mullen will attend with Mrs. Wynn for new funding available to the school. Antenette Mosley from the City Council and Jesse Warren from Asheville City School Board have toured PEAK and were impressed with what is happening. The Board discussed the possibility of an MOU with Asheville City Schools. The collaboration talks with the Edington Center have ended. The Board decided to remain in the current lease with TUMC. Kidada will inform DPI of the decision.

VI. Additional Announcements

There were no additional announcements.

VII. Closed Session

Kerry Friedman made a motion to move into closed session to discuss personnel matters, Kathey Avery seconds. All unanimously agree and the Board moves into closed session at 6:38 PM. The Board returned to open session per vote in open session.

VIII. Adjournment

Kerry Friedman made a motion to adjourn, Kathey Avery seconds. All unanimously agreed and the meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.