

Governing Board Meeting
July 14th, 2021
3:00 pm



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Minutes from Governing Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 14th, 2021
3:00 pm @ EHCS

A Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Educational Horizons Charter School was held on Wednesday, July 14th at 3:00 pm.

Quorum- A quorum was declared present based on the presence of the following Directors:

Mrs. Mary Altier, Chairperson Mrs. Aileen Tapp, Member
Mrs. Cheryl Turner, Principal Mrs. Cynthia Thomas, Head of Schools
Mrs. Eileen Needle, Admin Asst. Dr. Erik Thorson, Parent Liaison

- 1. Call to Order.** Mrs. Mary Altier, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm. Attendance was taken to include Mrs. Cheryl Turner, Mrs. Eileen Needle, Mrs. Mary Altier, Mrs. Aileen Tapp, on site. Mrs. Cindy Thomas, and Dr. Erik Thorson attending via Zoom conference.
- 2. Review of Minutes from June 9th.** Mrs. Mary Altier motioned to accept the minutes of the June 9th Board meeting after review. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Aileen Tapp, and accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion was carried.
- 3. Addition of Dr. Erik Thorson to the EHCS accounts.** Mrs. Altier motioned that Dr. Thorson be added on to the EHCS financial accounts and be listed as a designee to sign for all aspects of EHCS management and financial responsibilities. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Aileen Tapp, and accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.
- 4. Addition of signatures added to the EHCS accounts.** Mrs. Altier motioned that Cheryl Turner and Dr. Erik Thorson be added as an additional signature

on to the EHCS financial and banking accounts and be listed as a designee for signatures. Additionally, Mrs. Cindy Thomas will remain on all banking and financial responsibilities. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Aileen Tapp, and accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

- 5. Review of Financials.** Mrs. Cindy Thomas presented a review of the financial status for EHCS. Mrs. Thomas noted that this will be an audit year and that it will be the same group who has completed our audits before.
- 6. Staffing for 2021-2022.** Mrs. Cheryl Turner presented the open positions still available for both EHCS. Positions offered are part time ESE/Gifted and part time Art.
- 7. Conflict of Interest signatures from Board members for 2021-2022.** Mrs. Mary Altier presented the Annual Conflict of Interest Statement for all Governing Board members to sign and have current signatures for the 2021-2022 year.
- 8. Presentation of FSA Grade 3 reading scores.** Mrs. Turner presented the Grade 3 FSA scores released from the District which ranged from level 3-5 for the 3rd grade students. 100% of grade three students were tested in Reading and 100% scored a level 3 or above. The Board expressed their enthusiasm and congratulated Mrs. Turner and her teaching staff on the high ranking testing scores.
- 9. YMCHAT and Mental Health Plan approval.** Mrs. Cheryl Turner drafted the plan and presented to the Board for approval prior to submission to BPS by the July 25th due date. Mrs. Mary Altier made a motion to accept the new Mental Health Plan: Mrs. Aileen Tapp seconded and motion was accepted by unanimous vote. Motion was carried.
- 10. Approval of the 2021-2022 Board meeting dates.** Mrs. Mary Altier made a motion to accept proposed meeting dates as July 14th, October 7th, April 7th

and June 15th @ 3:00pm; Mrs. Aileen Tapp seconded and motion was accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion was carried.

11. Enrollment for 2021-2022 and Staffing. Mrs. Eileen Needle updated the board on the totals for 2021-22 enrollment which has 122 new students currently enrolled for the upcoming term. ECHS will be inviting students from the waitlist during June and July.

12. Management comments. Dr. Erik Thorson shared how thrilled he is to be working with a great school and to be part of a fantastic team who share the same appreciation for EHCS. The Board expressed their enthusiasm to have Dr. Erik Thorson join our school as management and as part of our school team.

13. Principal comments. Discussion was held about the news release from Governor Ron Desantis, regarding the disaster relief funds allocated to Teachers and Principals for the past year of service during the pandemic. Mrs. Cheryl Turner proposed giving each full-time, non-certified, employee (2) who would not be included in the disaster relief fund each \$1000.00 to match the amount allocated to Teachers and Principals. Mrs. Mary Altier motioned to approve the plan; Mrs. Aileen Tapp seconded and motion was accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion carried.

14. Public Comment. None at this time.

15. Adjournment. Mrs. Mary Altier closed meeting at 3:45 pm; seconded by Mrs. Aileen Tapp and accepted by a unanimous vote. Motion was carried, meeting adjourned.

Next meeting scheduled October 7th.

Respectfully submitted
Eileen Needle

May Altier (Chairperson) _____ date _____