**MINUTES**

**Excel Academy Charter Schools Board Meeting**

**Friday, June 26, 2020 – 9:30am**

**Conference Call**

**Board Members Attending:** Ben Howe (Chair), Tom Ellis (Treasurer), Caitlin Brumme, Matt Ottmer, Devon Johnson, Tania Del Rio, Pamela Klein, Hazie Crespo, Steve Zrike, Robert Lytle

**Member of the Public:** David Stolow

**Staff Attending:** Owen Stearns, Andrew Solomon, Arthur Kaynor

Ben Howe, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:35am and presided over the meeting. Arthur Kaynor kept the minutes of the meeting.

**1. Introduction**

Owen Stearns introduced David Stolow and provided updates about the Board’s diversity and inclusion priorities for SY20-21.

**2. Votes**

Matt Ottmer voted to approve the following items. Ben Howe seconded. The following items were approved unanimously.

* + Vote to approve the 6/12/20 Minutes
  + Vote to approve the FY21 Board Calendar (see below)
  + Vote to approve the following FY21 Officers:
    - Chair: Ben Howe
    - Vice Chair: Caitlin Brumme
    - Clerk: Matt Ottmer
    - Interim Treasurer: Robert Lytle
  + Vote to renew terms of the following Board Members:
    - Ben Howe
    - Matt Ottmer
    - Devon Johnson

**3. FY21 Budget**

Andrew Solomon reviewed the FY21 Budget and summarized updates since the last Board meeting. Robert Lytle motioned to approve the FY21 Budget. Matt Ottmer seconded. The FY21 Budget was unanimously approved.

**3. General Updates**

Owen Stearns provided updates on state guidance regarding cohort models for School Year 20-21 and the process of surveying staff and families for their input. There was discussion of possible changes to school procedures and classroom practices in light of COVID-19.

**4. Acknowledgements**

The Board celebrated contributions of departing Board members Tom Ellis and Hazie Crespo.

List of Documents Presented at the Meeting:

1. 6/12/20 Minutes
2. FY21 Board Calendar (below)
3. FY21 Budget

Ben Howe motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:54am. Tom Ellis seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

**Excel Academy Board – Proposed Calendar for FY21**

* Tuesday, September 15, 8:00-9:30AM (Zoom or location TBD)
* *Finance Committee,* TBD
* Tuesday, October 27, 6:30-8:00PM (Zoom or location TBD)
* Tuesday, December 15, 8:00-9:30AM (Zoom or location TBD)
* Tuesday, January 26, 8:00-9:30AM (Zoom or location TBD)
* Thursday, April 8, All-Day Board Retreat and Annual Meeting, TBD
* Thursday, June 3, 6:30-8:00PM (Zoom or location TBD)

Respectfully Submitted,

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Ben Howe, Chair