

# Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Via Videoconference

### **MINUTES**

# Participants:

Scott Bess
Glen Howard
Evelyn Lee
Elizabeth Lindsey
Catherine Meloy
Joseph Myrie
Alonso Person
April Young

The following staff members were also present: Colleen Paletta, Jeffrey Rostand, Elizabeth Rienzo, Demetri Tyler, and Josh Wallish. Ms. Rienzo recorded the minutes of the meeting.

Mr. Howard called the meeting to order at 9:34 am.

# **Mission Moment**

Ms. Paletta welcomed Mr. Demetri Tyler, Senior Manager, Data and Accountability, who presented the Mission Moment. Mr. Tyler highlighted alumna Nicole Camp-Carter, a 2019 graduate, who had just been hired as the Attendance Coordinator at the 1776 campus.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Howard asked for any proposed corrections or other revisions to the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Board meeting. He then requested clarification that the Excel Center Update had related to Goodwill of Greater Washington's potential establishment of an Excel Center in Prince George's County. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the **Board unanimously approved the revised minutes by roll call vote.** 

#### **Financial Report**

Mr. Rostand presented the year-to-date January 2024 financials, highlighting several items of particular importance. Discussion followed with Mr. Rostand responding to questions.

### **Excel Center Update**

Ms. Paletta provided an update on school operations, focusing on the following:

- Audited Student Enrollment
- Comprehensive School Improvement Plan
- OSSE Reporting Requirements
- School Improvement Plan Progress
- Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Accreditation
- GGW's Prince George's County Outreach Update

Ms. Paletta then provided a summary of the year-to-date goals update (previously provided to Board members in the meeting materials), explaining the following details:

- GEC, in collaboration with the PCSB Data Quality Team, is proposing updates to the
  existing business rules for each charter goal to eliminate ambiguity in the current
  language. She confirmed that no changes are being proposed to any of the goals
  themselves.
- Both the GEC and PSCB teams determined that the updates to the business rules would streamline the data submission process by eliminating confusion in the interpretation of existing business rule language.
- Because these changes modify GEC's goals document, which is an attachment of the charter agreement, a Board-approved charter amendment must be submitted.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, **Board unanimously approved**, **by roll call vote**, **the proposed changes to the Business Rules for evaluating the school's Charter Goals**.

# **Governance**

The Board reviewed the Annual Board Assessment, previously completed by members of the Board of Directors. Discussion followed.

Ms. Lindsey announced that, in light of a job change, it had become necessary for her to resign from the Board of Directors effective as of the end of the meeting. Mr. Howard stated that he accepted her resignation with regret and, pursuant to section 5.8 of the Bylaws, he appointed Mr. Bess Acting Secretary and Acting Liaison to the PCSB.

#### **Public Comment**

No one from the public attended the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.

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Acting Secretary