

Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday April 26, 2023 4:00 P.M.

Location: Hybrid Microsoft Teams/2838 West Peterson

Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

John Hrisney X
Charles Hempfling X
Michelle Cronin X
Manuj Lal X
Stephen Moy X
Jyoti Nigam X
Samantha Maxwell X
Mark Hansen X

Guests Present

Nikita Johnson-White: Chief Education Officer/Chief Growth Officer

Michael Stewart: Principal, Passages

Gianna Sheppard-Howell: Director, Early Childhood

Rebecca Creighton: Chief Operating Officer

Chris Shue: Chief Financial Officer Eric Lindstrom: Chief Program Officer Anna Falcon: Director of Human Resources

1. Call to Order (M. Cronin)

Discussion: M. Cronin called the meeting to order at 4:12 pm

2. Public Comment

Discussion: N/A

3. Consent Agenda

Discussion: Motion to approve consent agenda made by M. Hansen and seconded by J.

Hrisney

Motion was: Approved- unanimous.

a. Approval of Minutes- February 2023

b. Approval of Revised Head Start Budget

c. Approval of Director of Early Childhood



4. Executive Session

Discussion: Motion to move into exec session at 4:15 made by C. Hempfling and seconded by

M. Hansin

Motion was: Approved-Unanimous

Motion to move out of exec session at 4:25 was made by J. Hrisney and seconded

by J. Nigam

Motion was: Approved-Unanimous

5. Report on Strategic Initiatives (N. White-Johnson)

Discussion: Programmatic

Summative Designation Data Overview: N. Johnson-White and M. Stewart presented an overview of the Summative Designation Data. Passages rates Commendable. Other points of discussion were around chronic absenteeism and truancy. Student attendance stands at 89%. The team will do a root cause analysis.

The data will be used to further define the schools strategic plan.

ELL students at Passages range from zero English language to advanced. The data is pulled from parents indicating whether another language is spoken in the home.

Financial: N. Johnson-White reported that CPS has confirmed that we would be held us harmless to last years 20th day count and a 3.5% increase.

Recruitment: N. Johnson-White reported that 50 students from Pre-K are transitioning to kindergarten which will result in 3 Kinder classes.

6. On the Horizon

Discussion: N. Johnson-White invited the Board to the 8th grade luncheon on May 30th, 8th

grade graduation on June 1st, and Pre-K to K transition on June 5th.

R. Creighton shared that she will be sending out the yearly COI survey for

signature. Forms are due back by May24th.

7. Adjourn

Discussion: Motion to adjourn meeting at 5:15 made by J. Hrisney and

seconded by C. Hempfling

Motion was: Approved- unanimous