



**Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 20, 2020**  
**Zoom Meeting**  
**4:30PM**

**Trustees Present:** Chair Danny Gill, Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola, David Fisher, Howard Kay, Sandra Mercer, Becky Gaston, Dr. Greg Hall

**Staff Present:** Superintendent Dr. Jesse Jackson, Alricky Smith, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Elizabeth Tyler, Dr. Damien Moses, Donna Dunson, Dr. Linda Ray, Jennifer Barrow, Donna Drisdorn, Gail Quam, Angela Heyward, Dr. Julio Acevedo, Marcia Rose, Anna Barcenas, Dr. Barbara Jones, Mellissa Ard

**Others Present:** Brian Ackley

- I. CALL TO ORDER** **Danny Gill, Chair**  
The meeting was called to order at 4:33pm.
- II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**  
The invocation was done by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola and the Pledge of Allegiance by Chair Danny Gill.
- III. APPROVAL OF BOARD WORK SESSION AND BOARD MEETING MINUTES (February 24, 2020)** **Danny Gill, Chair**  
Recommend approval of the Board Work Session Minutes and Meeting Minutes as presented at the April 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve the Work Session Minutes was made by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously. Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes was made by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola and seconded by Trustee David Fisher. Motion approved unanimously.
- IV. FINANCIAL REPORT** **Alricky Smith, CFO**  
Recommend approval of the monthly financials as reviewed and presented at the April 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee David Fisher and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously.
- V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** **Dr. Jesse Jackson, Superintendent**
- A. Personnel Changes**  
Recommend approval of the Personnel Changes as reviewed and presented at the April 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes was made by Trustee David Fisher and seconded by Trustee Becky Gaston. Motion approved unanimously.
- VI. SCHEDULED PERSON'S ADDRESSING THE BOARD** (None)

## **VII. NEXT BOARD WORK SESSION AND MEETING**

The May Board of Trustees Work Session and Board Meeting will be on Monday, May 18, 2020 via "Zoom". The Work Session will begin at 3:00pm and the Board Meeting at 4:30pm.

## **VIII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

**Danny Gill, Chair**

### **Board Seat Vacancies for 2020-2021**

Recommend approval of the Board Seat Vacancies as reviewed and presented at the April 20, 2020 Board of Trustees Work Session. Motion to approve was made by Trustee Howard Kay and seconded by Vice Chair Dr. Andy Oguntola. Motion approved unanimously.

Danny will reach out to Danny to finish ByLaws.

Superintendent Evaluation will be sent by Marie and this will be an agenda item for the next Board Meeting.

## **IX. TRUSTEES REPORT**

Andy – Tough time right now, all your work is phenomenal. Shout out to Alricky for assisting with the City and Bok North building.

Danny - Kudos to Andy for all your work also.

David – Thanks to the Principals and the staff for all your work while learning on the fly. Great job! Thanks for all your work.

Howard – Ditto! Special thanks to Marie for being so patient with me and I am on my way. Really awesome and thank you all! Howard – The bus trip was really awesome and the drivers know their kids. I want to do other routes and it was awesome!

Sandra – Teachers appreciate our administration and keep us informed and encouraging us. Parents have multiple kids in multiple grades and it can be challenging. We have learned quickly and when it is done we will have takeaways from this virtual environment.

Becky – Ditto! Everyone is doing a great job. I would like to do a bus run or two also.

Dr. Hall – Thanks for the phenomenal job you guys are doing! Praying for Dr. Jackson – you are our leader as these are trying times. God Bless you all!

Danny – Dr. Jackson, Julio, Marie, Principals – all of you have done an awesome job!

## **X. PRINCIPALS' REPORT (2 minutes please)**

**BP – Elizabeth** – Things are going well and it's been an emotional time for all. Passing out technology and packets and reading at night to the students. We worked harder now than we have before, they rocked it, and I am very proud of them!

**HC – Jennifer** – I agree with Elizabeth – Everyone is doing an amazing job. Thanks to our Board and the Charter office also. Hillcrest – I don't have enough word for the phenomenal job that all of our teachers and staff are doing. Bus drivers and parents have been great also. Proud our curriculum, we are continuing it but a different avenue to access it. Google classroom is graded and we have 685 students. About 95% of our students are engaged and only 28 students not engaged. Our goal is 100% before this is over.

**JHW** – Linda – The learning curve will help us when we get back to normal especially for kids with attendance problems. We had PD with Jennifer Redmon who did a google class PD was great. One of our 1<sup>st</sup> grade student's Mom passed away with cancer and we have reached out and assisted along with High Point Church. We have about 25 students we are trying to engage and doing the best they can. Thanks to Julio and Dr. J on the bus. Thanks for everything that you do.

**PAE – Gail** – Ditto! Thanks to our teachers and staff are amazing! It's been a quick learning curve and I could not have asked for a better team to do this. We miss not being able to say goodbye to our kids. Our staff has been working harder and longer hours, they have been amazing!

**Bok North – Donna Drisdorn** – I echo everything that everyone has said. Even in these times people have come together to build each other up and I am proud of my staff! Being able to call my staff to assist and they are eager is awesome. Thanks to Alricky and Andy for bringing a home to Bok North. The Leadership from Dr. Jackson has been awesome and I appreciate his support! Please keep all of our staff in the entire system in your prayers. We are all experiencing difficulties. Please don't leave the teachers out. Teacher Appreciation is coming up, let's start thinking out of the box to show them they are appreciated.

**Bok South – Damien** – Ditto! We really get to see our Leadership, staff and students during this. We are way ahead of the game thanks to our Leadership. Our staff continues to do wellness checks on our students. Alricky, Dr. J, Trustees... thank you for all that you do to help us get through this, it is much appreciated! By the end of this week we will be offering wifi in the Bok parking lot, I was inspired by Principal Dunson. This has been taking and you make great things happen for our kids from the top down! Thank you guys!

**LWHS – Donna Dunson** - Echo about Julio, Dr. J, Chris for getting the food to the kids! The drivers should get a major celebration when this is over! The collaboration of getting everyone up to speed has been amazing. We are working with kids that have connectivity issue. Legion field has wifi and if we can activate all of our parking lots will be great! It has been impressive to see what our educators do! Edgenuity is doing a webinar and I'll send you the info.

**Dr. J** – LW Lake last night was full. It looks like we did not have a pandemic going on, lot of folks out. We are hoping funds will come to assist us during this time.

**Julio** – Thank you on behalf of the drivers. We have 5 buses going out Mon-Fri and serving food to about 500 kids. We are evaluating more meals. Publix has given us grant to assist the families and also Rob Quam assisting. Kona Ice in WH came out and gave snow cone for the kids on the bus route. The City Star restaurant is giving away 1000 meals to folks in LW. Thanks to all of our drivers assisting during this time! Thanks to Jesse and the Principals for your Leadership. Thanks to Howard for riding with us.

**Dr. J** – LW Charter is because of the spirit of the people in LW. Churches Board members etc. are doing an awesome job taking care of our babies.

## **XI. OTHER BUSINESS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE**

## **XII. ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Marie Cherrington-Gray, Corporate Secretary

Board Approved: \_\_\_\_\_