



Legends Public Charter Schools

(During the COVID-19 related emergency, the Board will be meeting virtually via Microsoft Teams)

Board Members: Jermand Hagan, Adia C Jordan, Terrelina (Shellie) Sims, Charlette EB Strickland
Legends CEO: Atasha James

MINUTES for December 22, 2020

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Legends Board Member, Mr. Jermand Hagan, and he welcomed all participants to the meeting.

2. Roll Call

A roll call was conducted, to identify to the Board members (Jermand Hagan, Adia Jordan, Terrelina (Shellie) Sims, and Charlette Strickland).

3. Adoption of Agenda

Legends Board Member Hagan asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Jordan and 2nd by Legends Board Member Strickland.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions, and the agenda was so adopted.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Legends Board Member Sims acknowledged the minutes of the October 2020 Legends Board meeting posted on the school website, and asked for a motion to accept the minutes, as presented. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Hagan and 2nd by Legends Board Member Jordan.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions, and the minutes were so adopted.

5. Approval of Actions Taken in Executive/Closed Session

• Acknowledgment of New Board Members

- Legends Board Member Hagan acknowledged that former Legends Board Chair Richard Gibbs requested to stepped down from his position as Board Chair, and that Board Member Hagan will assume the role as Legends Board Chair.
- In anticipation of the work necessary to be done for the advancement of Legends Charter school's mission and goals, Legends Board Chair Hagan introduced new Board Members (that have been interviewed and vetted by the Legends Charter School CEO James and received support from the existing Founding Board members):
 - Alexis Kirkland-Miller
 - John King
 - Sharlene Wallace

6. Report of Chief Executive Officer

• Academic Briefing

- Legends CEO James provided a comprehensive briefing, beginning with the *Legends Charter School Accountability Plan*, highlighting the 9 goals that all Legends Board will govern themselves by:

Goal 1: Students will be proficient in English/Language Arts

Goal 2: Students will be proficient in Mathematics

Goal 3: Students will be proficient in Science

Goal 4: Legends Charter School will meet Annual Measure of Interim Progress

Goal 5: Legends Scholars will have investment accounts

Goal 6: Students and Parents will be satisfied with Legends Charter School

Goal 7: Legends Charter School will be fully enrolled, with high levels of attendance and re-enrollment

Goal 8: Legends Charter School will demonstrate financial responsibility

Goal 9: The Board of Directors will provide effective and sound oversight of the school

- Other topics covered in the Briefing included: the definition of a Charter School, Finance, Employees, Student Enrollment and Attendance, 2021-2022 Lottery data, Student Affairs and Social-Emotional Learning/Academics, Fall Auxiliary Clubs and Activities, Blended Learning, ST Math, and Legends Charter School's Financial Education programming.

7. Budget Report

Legends CEO James reported on the financial health of the school, and Legends Board Chair Hagan acknowledged that the budget would be forwarded to the Finance and Audit Committee for review and approval.

8. Old Business

There was no old or unfinished business to report on.

9. New Business

Legends Board Chair asked for a motion to accept the new Board Members, as presented. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Strickland and 2nd by Legends Board Member Jordan.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions, and the new Board Members were so accepted.

10. Acknowledgment of Public Comments, on Agenda

Legends Board Member Sims acknowledged that there were some questions received from the public, related to the purchase of textbooks/workbooks and how parents could avail themselves to data (from Quarter 1 of the 2020/2021 SY) to evaluate progress towards meeting the school's success criteria.

As it relates to the decision to not purchase physical textbooks, Legends has held several 'Pop-Your-Trunk' events to ensure that each student has the support of learning materials at home to support their academics and Legends is planning to hold another event, for Quarter 3 in late January.

Regarding statistics to measure student's progress towards the school's success criteria, Legends will be conducting Middle of the Year (MOY) assessment and other benchmarking activities during January to evaluate our academic progress. Otherwise, the school is on track to meeting set accountability goals.

11. Announcement and Events

Legends Board Member Jordan encouraged parents to get involved with the Parent Engagement Organization and the Annual Charter Day Gala planning committee. Board member Jordan extended appreciation to the parents that spearheaded and contributed to a fundraiser to provide a monetary gift to all Legends Teachers and Fellows.

Board Chair Hagan noted that Winter Break was from Thursday, December 24 – Friday, January 1 and that school resumed on Monday, January 4, 2021 and encouraged students to read for the leisure and complete some ST Math puzzles over the break.

12. Motion to Adjourn

Legends Board Chair Hagan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Strickland and 2nd by Legends Board Member Sims.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions, and the meeting was so adjourned.

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