



# Legends Public Charter Schools

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

**Board Members:** Charlette EB Strickland [Interim Chair], LaTasha Baxter, Kalif Gallego, Adia Jordan, John King, Dr. Alexis Kirkland-Miller, Terrelina (Shellie) Sims, Sharlene Wallace

**Legends Public Charter School CEO:** Atasha James

**Legends Director of Social & Emotional Learning:** Makiese Devose

**Legends Director of Financial Literacy:** Justin Devose

## MINUTES for February 23, 2022

5:30pm

### 1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:35p, by Legends Interim Board Chair, Mrs. Charlette EB Strickland and she welcomed all participants to the meeting.

Legends Interim Board Chair Strickland conducted a roll call to identify the Board Members in attendance (Charlette EB Strickland, LaTasha Baxter, Kalif Gallego, John King, Alexis Kirkland-Miller, Terrelina (Shellie) Sims and Sharlene Wallace).

### 2. Adoption of Agenda

Legends Interim Board Chair Strickland asked for a motion to accept the agenda, as presented or if there were any modifications, edits or changes to be made. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Kirkland-Miller and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Legends Board Member King.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions and the agenda was so adopted.

### 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes, from previous meeting

Legends Interim Board Chair Strickland asked for a motion to accept the meeting minutes, as presented from our January Board Meeting or if there were any modifications, edits or changes to be made. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Wallace and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Legends Board Member Sims.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions and the agenda was so adopted.

### 4. Report of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Academic Briefing

- Legends CEO James shared the *Legends School Accountability Plan*, highlighting the 9 goals that all Legends staff and the 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*

- Legends CEO James acknowledged that the staff were preparing to debrief parents on the Middle of the Year (MOY) testing results.
- Legends CEO James explained details of the school enrollment statistics and results of the PGCPs SY 2022-2023 Charter School Lottery, where the demand for requested seats far exceeds the available seats within each grade level.
- Legends CEO James reinforced the need for all parents and responsible adults to utilize the benefits of *ParentSquare*, for important updates and resources.
- Legends CEO James acknowledged the need to secure 7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers for the next school year.
- Legends CEO James announced several upcoming events, to serve as fundraisers for the school, including the Inaugural Legendary Golf Classic (April 11, 2022) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Charter Day School Gala

#### Financial Literacy Updates (Mr. Justin Devose)

- Legends Director of Financial Literacy, Mr. Justin Devose described the 2022 March Market Investment Tournament, among all grade levels within the school. The competition of the creation of investment accounts is scheduled to last between March 15 – April 5.
- Mr. Devose acknowledged the facilitation of several informational workshops and surveys of understanding during the competition.

#### Social & Emotional Learning and Academic Development Updates

- Legends Director of Social & Emotional Learning (SEL) and Academic Development, Mrs. Makiese Devose informed the audience of the Fall 2021 SEL Survey findings for grades 3-5.
- Mrs. Devose highlighted several areas of concern, including but not limited to challenging feelings, self-management and grit; as well as the opportunity to introduce activities to continue to keep students engaged and involved.

#### • Board Response to Academic Briefing

- Legends Interim Board Chair Strickland expressed appreciation for the in-depth and very thorough presentation by administration and staff.
- Board members asked questions about PGCPs COVID support, curriculum changes as a result of advances observed with MOY testing results, and expectations from school staff and parent support.

#### 5. Acknowledgment of Public Comments

Legends Board Member Sims reiterated to the Legends community the requirement to submit questions through the Legends Public Charter School portal or via ParentSquare in advanced of the meeting, so that the questions can be explored, vetted, and properly responded to. There were several questions submitted for comment. Topic areas included: wearing of masks, class schedules,

time allotted for lunch, potential bus transportation, bullying, potential cost reduction for Legends' EdVentures, PGCPs school devices, and the dissemination of Honor Roll and Attendance awards.

#### **6. Legends Public Charter School Board Committee Updates**

There were no Committee updates to report.

#### **7. Legends School Announcements**

Legends Board Member Sims shared the following school announcements:

- ✓ February being Black History Month, National Self-Check Month, National Blood Donor Month and National Mentoring Month, among many other observances
- ✓ Rounding out Black Pride Week, on February 25; Legends is happy to present Ms. Nikki Giovanni who will observe several students from all grade levels who will recite several Nikki Giovanni poems
- ✓ Access ParentSquare Resource Hub as a guide to topics such as School Breakfast/Lunch menus, recordings from previous Legends' meetings, grade-level contact information and other PGCPs resources

#### **8. Motion to Adjourn**

Legends Interim Board Chair Strickland asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57pm. **The motion was moved by Legends Board Member Strickland and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Legends Board Member Sims.** All Board members were in favor – with no oppositions, and the meeting was so adjourned.

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