



**RICHARD
WRIGHT**
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL FOR
JOURNALISM AND MEDIA ARTS

RWPCS September 23, 2019 Minutes

Members Present: *Dr. Rhonda Wilbon, Kisha Biscoe (Parent), Essie Charles, Greg Adams (Chair), Obi Holly, Carla Holly, Derwin Ross (Vice Chair), Troy Priest, Marcia L. Dyson, Wayne Ely, Tony Upson*

Phone Conferenced In:
Chris Fratta,

Absent:
Courtney Snowden

Opening:

Greg Adams opened the meeting with a discussion about organizing and the excitement of having a new facility for the 2020/21 school year. GA exclaimed his strong positive energy for the direction the organization is going. GA also informed the BOT that the executive committee has been engaging with the school staff to apply for several grants which could potentially be used towards supporting the academic and facility growth at 475 School Street. GA also welcomed our new Board Member Mrs. Marcia L. Dyson.

Vision:

GA instructed Dr. Clark to reiterate the vision for SY' 2019/2020 and beyond. DC explained the broader vision for the organization and the focus on moving academics to another level. DRoss asked DC to explain the Tier level currently. DC explained that RWPCS is currently a Tier 2 school but is adamantly working to improve that rating. DC explained the extra wrap around services, study hall, remediation, modification of instructional delivery, team-teaching etc.

1st 30 Days Recap:

DC discussed the start of the school year, enrollment, staffing, projects and the overall direction of the 2019/2020 school year. DC explained that we have gotten off to a great school year and that a principal has been assigned to handle the day-to-day business of the school. DC also explained that our Quality Site Review will take place on December 3-12, 2019.

Budget, Finances & Facility

Wayne Ely explained that RWPCS has completed the FCAP Plan with fidelity. WEly informed the BOT that the school has ended the school year in a very positive cash position with over one million dollars in reserves.

Academics

Mr. Upson discussed the overall academic picture and his plans of bringing retired tutors to RWPCS to support academics and remediation. DC explained that academic growth is an on-going process, which needs consistent reflection and reexamination.

Final Motion

Derwin Ross made a motion that all facets of the new move be approved by BOT with conditions that anything that skews the approved Budget or Terms of the contract be brought back to the BOT for approval.

The motion was 2nd by Essie Charles and all members voted unanimously to approve the motion

Dr. Wilbon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.

Q & A

There were no questions at this time.

Adjourn