Statesmen College Preparatory Academy for Boys PCS
September 25, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

1. **Board Members Present:** Nicole Solomon Mitchell, Samantha Barbee, Ray McKenzie, Shawn Hardnett, Raymond Weeden, Greg Van Houten, Bisi Oyedele, Satira Streeter Corbitt, Sandi McCoy (by-phone), and Mary Brown (by-phone).

2. **Board Members Absent:** James Cadogan and Toni Barton.

3. **School Team Members Present:** Sean Flora and Rictor Craig.


5. **Board Self-Assessment Results**
   a. Analyzed comprehensive Board Self-Assessment Results, guided by S. Williams.
      i. Discussed the fact that Board is currently high-functioning.
      ii. Discussed governance (Board) versus management (school team).
      iii. Discussed critical role committees can play in increasing Board engagement.
      iv. Discussed importance of succession planning for school team and Board.
      v. Discussed fundraising goals for Board and concept of “friendraising.”
      vi. Discussed “challenges” identified by Board through Self-Assessment tool.

6. **Board Giving**
   a. Reminded Board that gifts should be made by November 1, 2019.
   b. Discussed critical need for additional fundraising.

7. **Topics to Address During Future Board Meetings and Other Items to Address**
   a. Governance versus management.
   b. Defining engagement (e.g., fundraising is a part of engagement).
      i. Fundraising goals to be set and refined by Board, fundraising strategy to be developed by Institutional Advancement Committee.
   c. Sign and return conflict of interest forms; approve June 2019 Board Meeting Minutes.
   d. Academic Dashboard Updates – PARCC & MAP Results.

8. **Adoption of SY19-20 Board and School Goals**
   a. Discussed the fact that Board and School Goals are bold and far-reaching.
   b. Unanimously approved.
9. **Springboard and Wednesday Afternoons (PD Time)**
   a. Discussed and strategized how to optimize Wednesday afternoon time slot, which is contracted to be managed and run by Springboard while School staff attend PD.
      i. Discussed creating task force to assist with addressing this issue.
         1. Raymond Weeden to lead task force.
         2. Satira Streeter Corbitt presented on potential outside community groups, organizations, and persons who could help with programming.
            a. Discussed need to obtain and/or confirm background checks.
         3. Task force will meet for the first time during week of September 30, 2019.

10. **Adoption of August 2019 Financials/Summer Spending Discussion**
    a. Presentation led by K. Swenson of EdOps.
    b. Outside audit process to begin on September 25, 2019, because that is when books will be “closed.”
    c. Discussed August 2019 Financials, including key performance indicators, cash flow forecast, variances, and balance sheet. Analyzed variances and expenses that arose out of Year 2 and moving to new facility.
    d. Unanimous consent to adopt August 2019 Financials.

11. **Introduction of Lead Staff and Classroom Visits**

12. **Adjourned at 10:00 AM EST.**