



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
1240 Randolph Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20017
Saturday, November 23, 2019
9:00 a.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Directors (hereafter the “**Board**”) of Shining Stars Montessori Academy Public Charter School (hereafter “**Shining Stars**”), Washington, D.C. was held on November 23, 2019 in the school’s Barack H. Obama Auditorium located on the main floor

Directors Present

- Anthony King, Esq
- Teisha Harris
- Willa Golden
- Tatiana Laborde
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia (ex-officio)

Director Participating Via Phone

- Kamal Wright-Cunningham, PhD

Directors Absent

- Shawn Samuels
- Aldel Brown

Call to Order

- Mr. Anthony King (Board Chair) noting a quorum, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. R. Rodriguez-Garcia recorded the minutes. A quorum of directors was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, proceeded with the business.
- The November meeting of the Board was open to the public. There were no members of the public present.
- Consent Agenda – Mr. Anthony King

- o Mr. King called for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mrs. Laborde seconded the motion. The items on the consent agenda were unanimously approved. The consent agenda items included:
 - Minutes for the October 31, 2019 meeting
 - Executive Director's Report

PARCC & Pre-K through Second (2) grade Scores Overview – R. Rodriguez-Garcia

- R. Rodriguez-Garcia (Executive Director/Head of School) discussed how grades 3 through 6 PARCC assessment outcomes affect tiering and instructional team planning.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia discussed the district-wide elementary school Mathematics and English Language Arts outcomes for all students, including at-risk students, ELL and SPED.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia discussed how well Shining Stars elementary school students are doing compared to others in the District.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia discussed the outcome of NWEA Mathematics and English Language Arts for Kindergarten through Second (2) grade students.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia shared data on Shining Stars, which included student demographics, discipline and attendance.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia highlighted Shining Stars' strengths going into the 2019-2020 school year.

Update

- Continue to provide Montessori Guides with instructional coaching, which will include using rigorous study, investing in mental health supports, providing professional development in practices, and ensuring classrooms and schools are culturally rich learning environments.
- R. Rodriguez-Garcia discussed the priorities for fostering academic growth in 2019-2020, which will include reviewing the school math program.
- The dual immersion program in grades Pre-K3 through first (1) grade is proceeding well with high parent satisfaction.
- School Year (SY) 2018-2019 audit continues.

Facilities

R. Rodriguez-Garcia provided the following update on facilities:

- A new roof for the kitchen is scheduled for the Winter break.
- New heating units have been installed in the first-floor hallway.
- Exterior signage will be installed prior to the winter holiday break (December).
- Interior signage for the Obama Auditorium and W.E.B. DuBois Learning Center is planned for early January 2020.

Adjournment

- There being no further business to come before the members, the meeting was adjourned by Mr. King at 12:21 p.m.
- The next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Shining Stars Montessori Academy PCS, 1240 Randolph Street, NE WDC, at 9:00 a.m. in the Barack H. Obama Auditorium on the main floor.