Washington Latin

Minutes

Special Board of Governors Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday July 15, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Directors Present
A. Graham (remote), B. Caldwell (remote), B. Williams-Kief (remote), C. McFadgion (remote), C. McGurn (remote), C. Wilkinson (remote), K. Merritt (remote), L. Ballenger (remote), L. Rucker (remote), N. McCoy (remote), P. Mara (remote)

Directors Absent
H. Rawlings, K. Osagie, R. Dalal, T. Morgan

Ex Officio Members Present
A. Dean-Lovett (remote)

Non Voting Members Present
A. Dean-Lovett (remote)

Guests Present
J. Kelly (remote), Jelena Tasic (from Shanahan Law Firm) (remote), K. Cromwell (remote), M. Fleming (remote), P. Anderson (remote), T. Porter (remote), Y. Tse (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order
C. Wilkinson called a meeting of the board of directors of Washington Latin to order on Thursday Jul 15, 2021 at 6:08 PM.
C. Approve Minutes
L. Ballenger made a motion to approve the minutes from June Board of Governors Meeting on 06-03-21.
P. Mara seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call
B. Williams-Kief Aye
A. Graham Aye
K. Osagie Absent
C. Wilkinson Aye
C. McGurn Aye
H. Rawlings Absent
C. McFadgion Aye
K. Merritt Aye
T. Morgan Absent
B. Caldwell Aye
P. Mara Aye
N. McCoy Aye
L. Rucker Aye
L. Ballenger Aye
R. Dalal Absent

II. Where are we with growth?

A. What are the lingering questions/concerns/issues?

• Ongoing issues include potential locations and whether we will need swing space or be able to move directly into permanent space
• Hiring for leadership positions is in progress and faculty hiring is well underway and will continue into next year
• On track to announce Principal of Latin B next year
• Met fundraising milestone goal for June 2021; further fundraising somewhat dependent on location of Latin B
• Trying to expand applications from at-risk students and exploring targeted partnerships for that, as well as pursuing at-risk preference

Further discussion of all items above deferred to Executive Session

B. Academic Committee Update on Growth

• Committee is exploring how at-risk preference vs. set-aside could work at Latin A vs. Latin B
• Academic Committee to discuss further

C. Timeline for Growth

• Peter quickly reviewed timeline for engaging stakeholders in At-Risk Preference; other timeline issues deferred

D. Staffing Plan for Growth

Conversation on staffing for growth incorporated into earlier discussions

III. Executive Session
A. Latest on facilities
   L. Ballenger made a motion to Move into Executive Session.
   C. Wilkinson seconded the motion.
   The board VOTED to approve the motion.
      Roll Call
      B. Williams-Kief Aye
      C. McGurn Aye
      C. Wilkinson Aye
      B. Caldwell Aye
      P. Mara Absent
      L. Rucker Aye
      N. McCoy Aye
      R. Dalal Absent
      H. Rawlings Absent
      K. Merritt Aye
      C. McFadgion Aye
      K. Osagie Absent
      A. Graham Aye
      L. Ballenger Aye
      T. Morgan Absent
   The board went into executive session at 6:58pm to discuss current contract negotiations regarding facilities. This is in accordance with the Open Meetings Act §2-575(b) subsection(3) to discuss, establish, or instruct the public body’s staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken in negotiating incentives relating to the location or expansion of industries or other businesses or business activities in the District.
   B. Caldwell made a motion to Come out of Executive Session.
   L. Ballenger seconded the motion.
   The board VOTED to approve the motion.
      Roll Call
      C. McFadgion Aye
      P. Mara Aye
      N. McCoy Aye
      C. Wilkinson Aye
      K. Osagie Absent
      K. Merritt Aye
      A. Graham Aye
      B. Caldwell Aye
      C. McGurn Aye
      L. Rucker Aye
      B. Williams-Kief Aye
      H. Rawlings Absent
      L. Ballenger Aye
      T. Morgan Absent

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting
   A. Graham made a motion to Adjourn.
   L. Ballenger seconded the motion.
   The board VOTED to approve the motion.
      Roll Call
      L. Ballenger Aye
      K. Osagie Absent
      N. McCoy Aye
Roll Call

T. Morgan  Absent
C. Wilkinson  Absent
H. Rawlings  Absent
A. Graham  Aye
K. Merritt  Aye
P. Mara  Absent
L. Rucker  Aye
C. McGurn  Aye
B. Williams-Kief  Aye
R. Dalal  Absent
B. Caldwell  Aye
C. McFadgion  Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Fleming

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