

Minutes from June 24, 2021
Board Meeting (via Conference call)
3:00 pm - 3:20 pm

Attendance

Present: Board - Orlena Nwokah Blanchard (Vice Chair), Mashea Ashton (CEO), Chase Glass (Board Member), Paul O'Neill (Board Member), Henry Higgs (Board Member), Legand Burge (Board Member)

Also present: Ryan Benjamin (Director of Operations), Mashea Ashton (CEO), Carolyn Reynolds (Executive Assistant), Erin Swide (Associate Director of Operations)

Absent: Mary Wells (Board Chair), Henry Higgs (Board Member), Johnny Taylor (Board Member), Sara Batteron (Board Member), Kevjorik Jones (Board Member)

CEO Update

Ms. Ashton called the meeting to order. Ms. Ashton asked if the Board could vote on a consent agenda. No objections. She then provided the following updates.

There were no budget changes from the previous meeting. We are on track to 470 for enrollment and are expecting to get to our goal of 480 by October 15, which is count day in DC. We have a contingency for 10 students in case we do not hit 480. We are budgeting for a net income of \$250,000 and 48 days of cash, which is \$1.7 million.

All DC high schools require at least 24 credits to graduate. The 24 include 4 math credits, 4 English credits, 4 science credits, 4 social studies credits, 2 world language credits, music, art, PE/Health, and elective credits. We have surpassed the 24 credits and propose requiring 26.5 credits to graduate. This will include additional computer science credits and internship/leadership credits.

We have a partnership with Cadence for summer school, which is supported by Bellwether. Mary Wells, our board chair, is the President of Bellwether. We are paying Bellwether the same rate as every other school. We need to disclose this to the Board and ask for a vote to follow our financial guidelines and those of PCSB.

Legand Burge moved to approve the consent agenda, which included approving the budget, graduation requirements and the Bellwether contract. Orlena Nwokah Blanchard seconded. There was unanimous approval. Legand Burge moved to adjourn the meeting. Henry Hipps seconded. All approved.