# **MEETING MINUTES**

Name of Foundation: Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc.

Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC.

**Board Meeting:** 

July 17, 2020

School(s):

**Woodmont Charter School** 

**Winthrop Charter School** 

**Henderson Hammock Charter School** 

Keys Gate Charter School Clay Charter Academy

SouthShore Charter Academy Waterset Charter School

Innovation Preparatory Academy Winthrop College Prep Academy

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Creekside Charter Academy Union Park Charter Academy

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:	
July 17, 2020	10:07am	11:41am	September 10, 2020	1pm	R.Weaver	
Meeting Location:						
On-Site Location: Virtual Meeting pursuant to Governor DeSantis Executive Order 20-69 dated March						
On-Site Location: Vir	tual Meeting	pursuant to	Governor DeSantis Exe	cutive Order 2	20-69 dated March	
20, 2020						

Attended by:			
Board Members:	Other Attendees:		
Valora Cole –Chair	Principals of Above-Mentioned Schools		
Eric Johnson – Vice Chair	Levi Williams – Board Attorney		
Randy Walker – Treasurer	Lane Morris, Area Director		
Ramdas Chandra – Secretary	Rachel Windler-Freitag, Area Director		
	Dr.Eddie Ruiz, State Director		
Absent:	Nate Mariano, State Deputy Director		
Rod Cunningham – Director	Rita Weaver – Governing Board Senior Manager, CSUSA		
Dr. Steve Knobl – Director	Lisanne Morton, Finance Manager		
	Derek Kelmanson, Business Development		
	Cheryl McDonnough Business Development		

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 10:07 a.m. with a Call to Order by Chair, Valora Cole. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

# I. ADMINISTRATIVE

**Approval Board Meeting Minutes** 

 The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the June 11, 2020 FCEF/BACF Board Meeting Minutes.

MOTION: A motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the Florida Charter Educational Foundation and Bay Area Charter Foundation Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2020, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 2 absent).

#### II. CSUSA REPORTS

## 2020-21 School Reopening Plan

- Ed Pozzuoli, General Counsel for CSUSA, discussed with the Board the Governor's Executive Order to reopen schools in the Fall and the DOE guidance on submitting a plan to reopen. Mr. Pozzuoli discussed the plan and that CSUSA has been working with the DOE to ensure that the plan meets compliance and assurances with the DOE requirements.
- Dr. David Christiansen discussed the plan in greater detail with the board including the technology aspects and the new LMS that will allow greater flexibility for the parents and the staff.
- The Board discussed the three options of reopening and that CSUSA schools will be ready to implement all three come August. All questions were answered by Dr. Christiansen and Dr. Eddie Ruiz, State Director.

## **Spring Survey Results**

 The Board reviewed the Spring Survey results and Dr. Ruiz reviewed the results. Mr. Eric Johnson, Vice-Chair commended Staff on the positive results and all the hard work that the Principals and Staff have done.

#### III. FINANCIALS

2020 Series C and D Bond for Renaissance Charter School, Inc.

Rita Weaver and Chad Marcus, Board Attorney updated the board on the 2020 Series C and D bond for Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and requested a waiver for conflict of interest for Board Attorney, Levi Williams and Staff. The Board also discussed the Use Agreement and a Bond Resolution approving an updated Use Agreement with Renaissance Charter School, Inc. The BACF FCEF Board has no financial obligations regarding the 2020 Series C and D Bond for Renaissance Charter School, Inc.

MOTION: Motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Dr. Ramdas Chandra to approve and waive the Conflict of Interest for Board Attorney Levi Williams and the Board Resolution for the Use Agreement with Renaissance Charter School, Inc. for the 2020 Series C and D Bond. Motion was approved unanimously.

## IV. OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Planning Session

• Due to the continued COVID19 planning and vacation schedules, the Board discussed moving the Strategic Planning Session to August to coincide with CSUSA IMPACT event

to be held as a hybrid onsite and virtual event. The Board directed Mrs. Weaver to gather agenda items and move forward with facilitating the strategic planning session.

### V. NEW BUSINESS

Parent Facilitator Innovation Preparatory Academy and Winthrop College Prep Academy

 The board discussed appointing Parent Facilitator for the two new schools opening in August 2020.

MOTION: A motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Randy Walker to appoint Lisa Fuertes as the Parent Facilitator for Innovation Preparatory Academy and Dr. Chris Hammill as the Parent Facilitator for Winthrop College Prep Academy. Motion passed unanimously.

# **Governing Board Policy on Reopening**

• The Board reviewed the policy on Reopening Schools in the Fall.

MOTION: A motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Randy Walker to approve the Governing Board Policy on Reopening and Plan, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

# Salary Distribution Plan

 The Board a summary of HB641 signed by Governor DeSantis earlier in 2020. The Board's ESP Provider, CSUSA, abiding by all laws, will compile and file a salary allocation list to the DOE by the appropriate deadline. The Board directed CSUSA to file on its behalf.

MOTION: A motion was made by Dr. Ramdas Chandra and seconded by Eric Johnson to file the appropriate teacher Salary Distribution Plan as outlined in HB641 with the Chair's final review, as presented. Motion passed unanimously. (6-0)

#### VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

 Mr. Eric Johnson requested a New School Update and Mrs. Weaver and Derek Kelmanson reported out that the schools are scheduled to open on time and gave updates on enrollment and construction.

#### VII. ADJOURMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Randy Walker to adjourn the FCEF/BACF July 17, 2020 board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.

Valora Cole, Chair of the Board

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