

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Florida Charter Educational Foundation, Inc.
Bay Area Charter Foundation, LLC.

Board Meeting: Special Meeting of June 18, 2021
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

Creekside Charter Academy
Union Park Charter 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.

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
June 18, 2021	1:00pm	1:59pm	August 12, 2021	1pm	R.Weaver
Meeting Location:					
On-Site Location: Schools listed above					

Attended by:	
Board Members: Valora Cole –Chair Eric Johnson – Director Randy Walker – Treasurer Dr. Ramdas Chandra – Vice Chair Absent: Dr. Steve Knobl – Secretary	Other Attendees: Principals and Parent Facilitators of Above-Mentioned Schools Levi Williams – Board Attorney Ed Pozzuoli, General Counsel, CSUSA Dr. Eddie Ruiz, State Director Rita Weaver – Governing Board Director, CSUSA Stephanie Smith, Sr. Financial Analyst, CSUSA Penny Walcott, Finance Director

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 1:02 a.m. with a Call to Order by Chair, Valora Cole. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

- None

II. CSUSA REPORTS

- None.

III. FINANCIALS

- None.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Charter Renewal(s) Update

- Pasco County approved the Union Park Charter Academy's charter contract for a one year renewal and the board is still going to appeal that decision.
- The board discussed the Hillsborough School Board Meeting that took place on June 15, 2021, where the school board voted to not renew Woodmont Charter School and Southshore Charter Academy.
- Chair Cole and Board Member Walker were both in attendance at the School Board Meeting. They were both dismayed to see the school board put money ahead of children and not once did they talk about the impact of not renewing on the children or on the economy of the neighborhoods where those schools are located. Especially given that the Charter Support Office had recommended to the School Board that the charters for Woodmont and Southshore be renewed for 5-years.
- Attorney Williams and Pozzuoli updated the board on the legal course of action and advised that the board will need to have a called meeting with an executive shade session to discuss legal strategy.
- Mr. Eric Johnson thanked the staff, school leadership, and said that this is a school board that considers themselves an activist school board and that we need to be prepared in order to ensure that we will open in August.

MOTION: Motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Dr. Chandra to direct counsel, in conjunction with Tripp Scott, P.A., to pursue and take any and all legal action necessary relating to the Hillsborough County School Board's denial of charter renewals for Woodmont Charter School. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 1 absent)

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V. NEW BUSINESS

- None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- There were no public comments

VII. ADJOURMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Eric Johnson and seconded by Randy Walker to adjourn the FCEF/BACF June 18, 2021, board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.



Valora Cole, Chair

Date: 8-12-21