

# **Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors Meeting**

September 13, 2016  
495 Blake Street, New Haven

## **I. Call to Order & Attendance**

The following directors and staff were in attendance:

Richard Ferguson - Yes	Samuel Brill - Yes	Andrew Poole, School Leadership - No
William Heins - No	Stephanie Ma - Yes	Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support - No
Laura Saverin - Yes	Magaly Cajigas - Yes	Megan Tokarski, AF Network Support - Yes
Genevive Walker - Yes	Donovan Tracey - Yes	Ken Paul, AF Network Support - Yes
Carlos Torre - No	Patric Gregory - No	
Patricia Pierce - Yes		

Public: N/A

## **II. Open Session For Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **III. Approval of Minutes**

RESOLVED, the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors hereby approves the meeting minutes from 5/18/16.

Motion by Laura Saverin  
Seconded by Magaly Cajigas  
All in favor

## **IV. Reports and Discussion**

### **A. Principal Report (Andrew Poole)**

Andrew Poole's principal report was given during the joint session of the meeting with Amistad Academy.

### **B. Board Chair Report (Dick Ferguson)**

Dick Ferguson gave an overview of the charter renewal process that is underway for Elm City College Prep. The current charter expires on June 30, 2017. The renewal application was submitted on

September 2, 2016 and the next step is the invitation for written comment from NHPS Superintendent (September/October). This is followed by a site visit, including meeting with some board members, a public hearing in January and a final vote on March 1, 2017.

On Friday, September 30th, there will be a ribbon cutting event for the Joel Smilow building at the Elm City Elementary, the Greenfield School. Dick Ferguson encouraged board members to attend if they are able.

Lystra Richardson, who has served since 2001, shared with Dick that she must resign after many years on the board, due to family and professional commitments. The board appreciates her service and will need a new Secretary.

Dick reviewed the current committee structure and composition: High School Committee, Governance Committee, Principal Committee, Finance/Audit Committee, Advocacy Committee. Dick asked Sam Brill to serve as board liaison for CCJEF ruling.

### **C. Financial Report (Laura Saverin)**

Laura Saverin gave the financial report noting that the projected deficit at Amistad High School turned into a small surplus at the end of FY16. The audit in progress.

The Elm City and Amistad Finance Committees met in person and had lunch with new CFO Victor De La Paz.

On the FY17 financials, Laura Saverin noted that with only one month worth of information there is nothing meaningful to report.

There is a new DSO at ECCP Elementary, Mike Lengle and Shirley Harrell has been promoted to RDO. Esther Massie is the new DSO at Amistad High School.

Enrollment generally looks good.

### **1. Approve Financial Report**

RESOLVED, the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors hereby approves the financial report as presented.

Moved by Patricia Pierce

Seconded by Genevive Walker

All in favor

### **V. Executive Session**

The board did not go into Executive Session.

**VI. Additional Board Business**

RESOLVED, pursuant to the bylaws of Elm City College Preparatory, the Board of Directors does hereby set the number of members of the Board of Directors at eleven (11).

Motion by Laura Saverin  
Seconded by Magaly Cajigas  
All in favor

RESOLVED, the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors hereby approves the Conflict of Interest Policy as presented.

Motion by Stephanie Ma  
Seconded by Genevive Walker  
All in favor

Genevive reported out on the Neighborhood Walkthrough she attended with ECCP Elementary School teachers in Newhallville was wonderful.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm by Dick Ferguson  
Motion by Genevive Walker  
Seconded by Donovan Tracey  
All in favor