

**Achievement First Hartford Academy  
Jumoke Academy  
Joint High School Committee Meeting**  
Monday, March 27, 2017, 4:00 pm  
AF Hartford High School  
305 Greenfield St, Hartford

The following board members, constituting a quorum, and Achievement First Staff were in attendance:

**I. Call to Order & Attendance**

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Barry Jacobson.

Todd Cooper, Jumoke Academy Board - Yes	Marshall Ruben, AFHA Board - Yes (phone)
Melanie James, Jumoke Academy Board - Yes	Barry Jacobson, AFHA Board - Yes
Thomas Smith, Jumoke Academy Board - Yes	Ja Hannah, AFHA Board - Yes
Frank Williams, Jumoke Academy - Yes	Emily Banks, AF Hartford High - Yes
Troy Monroe, Jumoke Academy - Yes	Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support - Yes
Nichelle Woodson, Jumoke Academy - Yes	Ken Paul, AF Network Support - Yes
	Pete Cymrot, AF Network Support - Yes

**II. Open Session For Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**III. Reports and Discussion**

**A. AF - Jumoke MOU**

Pete Cymrot led a discussion about the AF - Jumoke Cooperative Agreement. The State Board of Education does not need to approve the MOU but Rob Kelly has indicated that they will sign off before the AF and Jumoke boards approve at their board meetings.

Frank Williams shared that he has reviewed the draft with Dr. Troy Monroe and Jumoke's attorney and they are ok with the draft as presented.

Page 5, section 4, subsection c. addresses changes to the representation on the Committee (three members from AF, two members from Jumoke). Language was added to Quorum requiring at least one member from Jumoke. Pete also brought the Committee's attention to the fee paid by AF to Jumoke to ensure that the Committee felt that it was neither too much or too little. Determination on page 11, section 15 states that the agreement proposes a five year term followed by five one year terms.

## **B. School Report**

Emily Banks shared AP Mock Exam results (AP courses are offered to grades 10-12). The actual AP exams are in May. SAT practice tests are also going well. Barry Jacobson has been bringing tutors to work with the juniors and they are seeing strong participation.

College acceptances are coming in and the list of schools where scholars have been accepted has been strong and they are getting good financial aid packages. 100 percent of seniors have been accepted to at least one college. Senior Signing Day is Tuesday, May 23rd.

Suspensions have been on the decline since Emily has been principal and it is currently at six percent.

Ninth grade enrollment is a challenge - both for AF and across Hartford. There are a lot of school choices and the board discussed how to get the number from Jumoke to increase (they have been on the decline).

## **C. Financial Report**

Barry Jacobson gave the financial report highlighting the shortfall due to the under enrollment.

## **IV. Board Business**

### **A. Approve Minutes**

RESOLVED, the Achievement First Hartford Academy Joint High School Committee hereby approves the meeting minutes from November 14, 2016.

Motion by Tom Smith

Seconded by Ja Hannah

All in favor

### **B. Resolution to approve Financial Report**

RESOLVED, the Achievement First Hartford Academy Joint High School Committee hereby approves the financial report as presented.

Motion by Todd Cooper

Seconded by Ja Hannah

All in favor

## **V. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 pm by Barry Jacobson.

Motion by Ja Hannah

Seconded by Todd Cooper

All in favor