



JUMOKE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Jumoke Academy

Date: September 8th, 2015

Time: 6:00pm

Location: 852 Asylum Ave. Hartford, CT 06105

Present:

James Michel
Sharon Gentles-Harris, Community Representative
Todd Cooper, Parent Representative
Melanie James, Treasurer & Teacher Representative
Thomas Smith, Community Representative
Glenn Winfrey (conference call in)

- I.** Meeting called to order by James Michel at 6:06pm.
- II. Board Chair Comments:**
 - (1) Motion made by board chair to accept Attorney Bertram McDowell Jr. as a new community Representative on the Jumoke Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Ms. James. All were in favor.
 - (2) Appointment of Board Positions for the 2015-2016 school year.
 - i.** President- James Michel
 - ii.** Vice Chair- Todd Cooper
 - iii.** Treasurer – Sharon Harris
 - iv.** Secretary – Bertram McDowell Jr.
- III. Executive Directors Report:**
 - (1) Achievement First MOU- Three board members were appointed to serve; Melanie James, Todd Cooper and Mr. Smith.
 - (2) School Opening Update- The Executive Leadership Team and board chair helped to welcome scholars and their families back to school! It was a great opening and special thanks went out to our Talent Management office who made sure all classrooms were staffed.
 - (3) 2015-2016 Board Retreat- Board Retreat has been scheduled for September 12th, 2015. The retreat will be held in Hartford at the Amos Bull House from 8:30 to 4:00 p.m.



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- (4) Facilities Update- John Mena from Hanley Construction was introduced to the board and addressed the vision for Jumoke Academy facilities shared by Dr. Monroe and the general assessment of the Academy's properties.
- (5) Smarter Balance Assessment Update: Academic Director advised that this topic will be addressed in detail at the Board Retreat and that district performance trends were consistent with state performance trends for this baseline data year.

IV. Consent Agenda Items:

- (1) Motion made to accept consent agenda items by Melanie James, seconded by Todd Cooper.

V. Finance Directors Report:

- (1) Finance Director advised that Stepping Stones would like to lease the 2nd floor @ 852 Asylum Avenue. This is under review by their board. It was noted that this partnership would be a great addition to the work that we are doing and for our scholars and help to bring two educational entities together for purposes of providing increased educational opportunities for children of Hartford.
- (2) Finance Director suggested a change of realtor. Motion was made by Todd Cooper giving the building committee the ability to change realtors. Thomas Smith seconded. All were in favor.

VI. Adjournment:

- (1) Motion made to adjourn by Tom Smith seconded by Melanie James. All were in favor. Adjournment @ 7:38p.m.