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# JUMOKE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS

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## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Jumoke Academy

**Date:** January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Location:** 999 Asylum Avenue Hartford, CT 06105

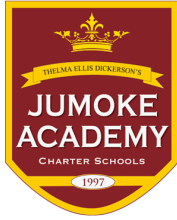
**Present:**

James Michel - Board Chair  
Melanie James - Teacher Representative  
John Mena - Community Representative  
Ricardo Anderson - Parent Representative  
Todd Cooper - Community Representative  
Sharon Gentles- Harris - Treasurer  
Thomas Smith- Community Representative  
Julian McFarland- Parent Representative  
Glenn Winfree- Community Representative

**Absent:**

Bertram McDowell, Jr. - Secretary

- I. Meeting called to order by James Michel at 6:05pm.
- II. **Opening:**
  - 1) Welcome & Opening Remarks given by James Michel, he thanked the community for attending and wished all a Happy New Year as the Academy continues to move forward.
  - 2) No Public Comments
- III. **Executive Director's Report:**
  - 1) Scholar Recognition Presentation- James Michel recognized Yainaliz Vazquez - JAH-HC, Ava Acevado- T.E.D and Wildrinio and Witshinhio Gene- JAH SMaRT for their contributions to their community, school life and academic achievements. Also recognized was Daniel Keith for his leadership with Jumoke Scholars for the participation in the Young Writers Spine Chiller writing competition.



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2) Jumoke Academy Consolidation Exploration/Presentation- Mark Hopper of Cross Key Architects presented to the board proposed renovation and consolidation site options that are possible for the Academy. The proposed consolidation and renovation sites would encompass 339 Blue Hills Avenue, and 875 Asylum Ave. locations. This would allow the Academy to be released from the lease at 250 Blue Hills Avenue. An issue that was brought to the board's attention is the need for more parking. Mr. Hopper advised the board that the consolidation committee was in the very beginning stages of planning and further discussions will take place. Recommendations from the board were as follows: 1. Discussion with Hartford public to review the Academy's plans 2. Review of the funding sources, i.e. Public vs. Private. 3. Discuss options with CREC for review of available property. The board was advised of the next steps which will include follow up meetings with subcommittees, building subcommittee and parent/staff meetings and creating a time line of events to present to the board at a future meeting.

3) Heritage Gala Update- The board has been advised that the entertainment have been confirmed. The silent auction items confirmed include sports memorabilia, personal wellness items and weekend getaway trips to be raffled. Ticket prices for the Heritage Fundraiser Gala was confirmed at \$60.00

#### **IV. Consent Agenda:**

1) Motion was made to accept the December board meeting minutes and the November Financial Statement by Thomas Smith, seconded by Todd Cooper. All in favor.

#### **V. Sub Committee Reports:**

1) Board was advised that a preliminary meeting was held for members to see the proposed consolidation plans.

#### **VI. Executive Session:**

1) None

#### **VII. Adjournment:**

1) Motion made by James Michel to adjourn at 8:02pm, seconded by Sharon Harris. All in favor.