



JUMOKE ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOLS

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Jumoke Academy

Date: February 13th, 2018

Time: 6:00pm

Location: 999 Asylum Avenue Hartford, CT

Present:

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

Absent:

Bertram McDowell, Jr. - Secretary
John Mena - Community Representative

- I. Meeting called to order by James Michel at 6:04pm.
- II. **Opening:**
 - (1) Board Chair welcomed Colleen Heggelke as the teacher representative to the board.
 - (2) No public comments
- III. **Board Chair Comments:**
 - (1) Board Chair is requesting an Academic/Curriculum & Instruction presentation update to give the board a synopsis of the district's progress to date at the March, 2018 board meeting.
- IV. **Executive Directors Report:**

Approved March 27th, 2018



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- (1) Scholar Recognition Presentation- Dr. Monroe recognized two scholars for their contributions to the community, school life and academic achievement: Roysha Prince from H.C. and Michael McKoy from S.M.A.R.T. Board members greeted parents and scholars at 6:15pm. Meeting was called back to order at 6:26pm.
- (2) Interim Principal Introduction- Dr. Monroe introduced to the board of directors and the public the new interim principal of JAH HC as Dr. Gerald Martin, who has over 10 years in the Hartford Public school system and will be with the Academy to the end of the school year.
- (3) NAYEC Accreditation Process Update - A team of teachers and the elementary school principal has spent the last 5 months preparing the Academy to demonstrate efficiency that is determined by the state department of education. The candidacy application has been accepted and the visit will happen within fifteen days after receiving a call from the state. The team consisting of Dr. Finley, Linda Parsons, and the Pre-K level teachers has worked to update the safety standards as well as the Pre-K curriculum. The Academy will have the state's decision within three months.
- (4) Heritage Gala Update- The Heritage Gala award recipients will be Candice Carnegie- Educator Award, Radikha Morris- Legacy Award, Paris Pruitt - Community Award, Aetna/American Heart Association- joint Community Award and Ted Garner and Melissa Vanek who will receive the Bridge Builder Award.
- (5) Silent Auction Update - Dr. Monroe advised the board that all items have been secured and a destination experience has been added for the 4th annual Gala. There will be three destination options to choose from. A raffle ticket permit has been obtained and tickets are on sale for \$20.00.
- (6) Safety Grant Update- Jumoke Academy is the only school to receive the safety grant in Hartford, in the amount of \$200,000 to be used across all three campuses. The money will allow the Academy to install new locks on all doors and update the security systems.

V. Consent Agenda:



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- (1) A motion was made to accept the November Meeting Minutes and the December Financial Statements by Thomas Smith, seconded by Todd Cooper. All in favor.

VI. Finance Directors Report:

- (1) Safety Grant Financial Specifications- Frank Williams advised the board that the total amount of the Safety Grant is \$263,000 because there is a 20% cost share with the State of Connecticut. The official award letter will be mailed in the coming weeks.

VII. Subcommittee Reports:

- (1) Building Subcommittee Update- Dr. Monroe provided the board with a 5 month plan to initiate the renovation/consolidation process of the Academy's middle-schools. The timeline reflects various steps to have a successful outcome of planning the move in process with emphasis on designing a consolidated middle school.

VIII. Executive Session:

- (1) Motion made by Glen Winfree to move into Executive Session, seconded by Thomas Smith at 7:22pm. Motion made by Sharon Gentles, seconded by Todd Cooper at 8:21pm to come out of executive session. All in favor.

IX. Adjournment:

- (1) Motion made by Glenn Winfree to adjourn at 8:22pm, seconded by Jillian McFarland. All in favor.