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Achievement First Bridgeport Academy

Board of Directors Meeting

November 7, 2019, 6:00 pm

529 Noble Ave, Bridgeport

I. Call to Order & Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Dick Kalt. The following board members, constituting a quorum, and Achievement First Staff were in attendance:

Dick Kalt - Yes

Marlene Macaуда - Yes

Debra Hertz - Yes

James Bennett - Yes (phone)

Kimberly Bruce - No

Michael Strambler - Yes

Ruben Felipe - No

Ebrima Jobe - Yes

Raj Lakra - Yes

Samantha Lucky, AFBA School Leadership - Yes

Annedrea Coleman, AFBA School Leadership - Yes

Florisca Carter, AFBA School Leadership - Yes

Domonique Marshall, AFBA School Leadership - Yes

Christina Ellington, AF Network Support - Yes

Shannon Garfield, AF Network Support - Yes

Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support - Yes

Ken Paul, AF Network Support - Yes

II. Open Session for Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Approve Minutes

RESOLVED, the AF Bridgeport Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the meeting minutes from September 19, 2019.

Motion by Debra Hertz

Seconded by Marlene Macaуда

All in favor

IV. Reports, Discussion and Board Business

A. Principal Reports

Samantha Lucky gave a report of AF Bridgeport Elementary School citing the school's priorities and goals and their progress. The school has introduced a flex schedule where staff can come in 40 minutes late or leave 40 minutes early, based on feedback from teachers. Ms. Lucky reviewed school culture metrics and previewed that the first interim assessment will be the following week.

Annedrea Coleman gave a report of AF Bridgeport Middle School. She is back from maternity leave and found the school in a strong place, with academics and school culture, under Steph Fox's leadership. Ms. Coleman reviewed "rapid feedback" which is designed to accelerate the speed with which students are getting feedback from their teachers on their work.

The board discussed the school culture data and teacher certification.

B. Regional Superintendent Reports

Christina Ellington, Regional Superintendent of AF Bridgeport Elementary gave a principal review of Samantha Lucky. Similarly, Shannon Garfield, Regional Superintendent of AF Bridgeport Middle and Amistad High School, gave a principal review of Annedrea Coleman and Simon Obas respectively.

C. Amistad High School Committee Report

The board discussed Amistad High School with Shannon Garfield, Regional Superintendent. The Amistad High School Committee Meeting is scheduled for November 13th at 4:00 pm in New Haven.

D. Treasurer Report

Jim Bennett gave the treasurer's report based on budget to actuals as of the end of September. The balance sheet looks good. Enrollment at Amistad HS is lower than expected by 20 students.

RESOLVED, the AF Bridgeport Academy Board of Directors hereby approves the financial report as presented.

Motion by Debra Hertz

Seconded by Marlene Macauda

All in favor

E. Board Chair Report

Dick Kalt discussed the charter renewal process including the interview with the State and the upcoming hearing on November 14th.

V. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm by Dick Kalt.

Motion by Debra Hertz

Seconded by Raj Lakra

All in favor

