

**Elm City College Preparatory
Board of Directors**

Zoom Meeting

Friday, May 7, 2021, 10:00 am

I. Call to Order and Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by Dick Ferguson. The following board members, constituting a quorum, and Achievement First staff were in attendance:

Richard Ferguson – Yes

Laura Saverin - Yes

Stephanie Ma - Yes

Prish Pierce – No

Patric Gregory - Yes

Julia Halberstam - No

LaVonta Bryant - Yes

Nicola Fleischer - No

Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support

Gaylord Bourne, AF Network Support

Eduardo del Valle, AF Network Support

Faisal Jawaid, AF Network Support

Ketki Herale, AF Network Support

II. Open session for public comment

There was no public comment.

III. Approve Minutes

RESOLVED, the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors hereby approves the meeting minutes from March 22, 2021.

Motion by LaVonta Bryant

Seconded by Laura Saverin

All in favor

IV. Discussion and possible action related to capital improvements on the Amistad High School Building

Gaylord Bourne shared the financial context underlying the capital investment.

Eduardo del Valle presented the solar panel project proposed for Amistad High School and the reasons for selecting the vendor, 64Solar. The project would include an educational component as part of the installation and would begin immediately after signing the contract.

There being no other discussion, the board unanimously approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the PPP Loan that Elm City College Preparatory received during FY21, having been fully allocated to employee compensation, has created opportunities to invest additional funds in capital facility improvements, and

WHEREAS, deploying photovoltaic (solar panel) arrays on the rooftop of Amistad High School, located at 580 Dixwell Ave, New Haven, is a capital improvement that will create annual cost savings on future utility expenses while also reducing the Amistad High School's carbon footprint,

BE IT RESOLVED, pending approval by the AF Bridgeport Board of Directors, the Elm City College Preparatory Board of Directors authorizes the aforementioned facilities improvement project for Amistad High School, as presented, and approves spending up to, but not in excess of, \$120K for purposes of completing the project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Achievement First and its designee are, jointly and severally, authorized and directed, in the name of Amistad Academy, to take any and all actions and/or submit such documents needed to effectuate the foregoing resolution.

Motion by Dick Ferguson

Seconded by LaVonta Bryant

All in favor

V. Adjourn

There being no other business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 10: 22 am by Dick Ferguson.

Motion by Laura Saverin

Second by Patric Gregory

All in favor