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**AF Hartford High School
Joint High School Committee Meeting**

November 1, 2021, 4:30 pm

Zoom Video Conference

I. Call to Order and Attendance

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 pm by Patsy Mundy. The following board members, constituting a quorum, were in attendance, along with Jumoke and Achievement First Staff:

Patsy Mundy, AFHA Board - Yes

Laneka Thomas, AF Hartford High School Principal

Alice Turner, AFHA Board - Yes

Sarah Blanton, AF Network Support

Erwin Hurst, Sr, AFHA Board - Yes

Troy Monroe, Jumoke Academy

Myron Stewart, Jumoke Board - Yes

Arnel Hines, Jumoke Academy

II. Open Session for Public Comment

There was no public comment.

III. Approve Meeting Minutes

RESOLVED, the Achievement First Hartford Academy Joint High School Committee hereby approves the meeting minutes from October 13, 2021.

Motion by Myron Stewart

Seconded by Erwin Hurst, Sr.

All in favor

III. School Report

Ms. Laneka Thomas spoke about the challenges with staffing. They are understaffed by ten people and on a daily basis, they average 1-2 teachers out for absences. The school has had as many as eight staff members call out sick in a day.

To address the staffing shortages, they have combined the unstaffed classes into large study halls. AP Computer Science and 12th grade Lit have been turned into study halls. They moved from a seven period schedule to a six period model removing the unstaffed classes and study halls.

Wednesday will be the first day with this new schedule. The new schedule will not negatively impact access to classes needed for graduation.

All students are invited to join an enrichment during the seventh period block and Ms. Thomas reviewed some of the options available. The school is trying to engage as many outside organizations as possible while also building out in-school enrichment options.

The board members expressed their support for the difficulty of the work.

IV. Finance Report

Patsy Mundy gave the finance report. She noted that per-pupil revenue is down because enrollment is down. She also spoke about ESSER funding.

RESOLVED, the AF Hartford High School Committee approves the finance report as presented.

Motion by Myron Stewart

Second by Erwin Hurst, Sr

All in favor

IV. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm by Patsy Mundy.

Motion by Myron Stewart

Seconded by Patsy Mundy

All in favor