

**MEETING MINUTES**

Name of Foundation: Renaissance Charter School, Inc.

Board Meeting: April 6, 2016

**School Present(s):**

Renaissance Charter School at Wellington

Renaissance Charter School at Pines

Governors Charter Academy

Hollywood Academy of Arts/Science

Renaissance Charter School at Plantation

Renaissance Charter School at Palm West

Renaissance Charter School at West Palm Beach

Renaissance Elementary Charter School

Renaissance Charter School at St. Lucie

Duval Charter at Arlington

Duval Charter High at Bay Meadows

Duval Charter School at Bay Meadows

Renaissance Charter at Chickasaw Trail

Duval Charter at Southside

Duval Charter at Westside

North Broward Academy of Excellence

North Broward Academy of Excellence Middle School

Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm

Renaissance Charter School at Cypress

Renaissance Charter at University

Hollywood Academy of Arts/Science Middle

Renaissance Charter School at Poinciana

Renaissance Charter School at Summit

Renaissance Middle Charter School

Keys Gate Charter High School

Renaissance Charter School at Flagler Center

Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs

Renaissance Charter School at Cooper City

Renaissance Charter at Hunter's Creek

Renaissance Charter School at Tradition

Four Corners Upper School

Renaissance Charter School at Goldenrod

Renaissance Charter School at Tapestry

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
April 6, 2016	2:03 pm	4:00 pm	May 18, 2016	12pm	R Weaver
<b>Meeting Location:</b>					
Governors Charter Academy, 4351 Mahan Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32317					
<b>Attended by:</b>					
<b>Board Members:</b> Ken Haiko, Chair Dennis Clark, Vice-Chairman Shane Strum, Director Tom Wheeler, Director  <b>Absent:</b> Preston Jones, Director Margaret Wells, Director John O'Brien, Director			<b>Other Attendees:</b> Robin Sandler, Regional Director, CSUSA Stacy Schmit, Regional Director, CSUSA Donte Fulton-Collins, Regional Director, CSUSA April Williams, Regional Director, Dr. Adriane Peters, Principal Governors Charter Academy Jackson Self, Principal, Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm Rachel Mellion, Principal Renaissance Charter School at Cypress Steven Epstein, Principal Renaissance Charter School at Palms West Nicole Luicci, Principal Renaissance Charter School at St. Lucie Heather Czeskleba, Principal Renaissance Charter School at Summit		

	Stacy Schmit, Principal Renaissance Charter School at Tradition Andrea Reilly, Principal Renaissance Charter School at Wellington Michael Lupton, Principal Renaissance Charter School at West Palm Beach Richard Ross, CSUSA Finance Damon Schnurr, CSUSA Finance Derek Kelmanson, CSUSA Business Development Keisha Smith, Director of Board Governance, CSUSA Rita Weaver, Governing Board Manager, CSUSA
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**CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting of Renaissance Charter Schools Inc. commenced at 2:03 pm with a Call to Order by Chairman Ken Haiko. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE**

**Approval of Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc. Minutes from February 10, 2016**

- Chairman Haiko asked the Board to review the minutes from February 10, 2016 and to note any changes.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Tom Wheeler to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2016 Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc. board meeting. Motion was approved (4-0)(3 absent).**

**II. SCHOOL REPORTS**

**School Reports**

**Governors Charter Academy**

- Principal Dr. Adriane Peters presented the school report to the board to include enrollment at 684 students with a budgeted amount of 808.
- Principal Peters reported on some of the PTC events including a "Bring Your Parents to School Day" that was very successful and had significant parental participation in the upper grades.

**Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm**

- Principal Jackson Self presented the school report to the board to include enrollment at 764 with a budgeted amount of 753 students. Recommitments are high at 97%.
- Principal Self reported on other school activities, highlights include: a successful and fun family night at the local Barnes & Noble book store.

**Renaissance Charter School at Cypress**

- Principal Rachel Mellion Enrollment reported at 568 students with a budgeted amount of 638 students. Recommits are at 548 and they have had 190 new applications.

- PTC events and highlights include: a Spring Fundraiser and a Family Learning Fair that focused on cultural awareness.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at Palms West**

- Assistant Principal Gabriella Gonda presented the school report to the board to include enrollment currently at 761 for budget 995.
- PTC events and provided highlights to include: ongoing FSA prep and a Family Fun night at a local Tijuana Flats. The Spring Dance also took place in March and was very successful.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at St. Lucie**

- Assistant Principal Christiana Coburn present the school report to the board to include enrollment reported at 1270 students with a budgeted amount of 1290 students. Recommits is currently at 95%.
- PTC events and highlights include: Ongoing professional development with the teacher, FSA Prep Night, Family Fun Night, and a dance at the school.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at Summit**

- Principal Heather Czeskleba presented the school report to the board to include enrollment reported at 955 students with a budgeted amount of 1047 students. There is 257 new applications. Cambridge will be added to the 6-8 grades.
- PTC activities and school highlights to include: Math Night and a Scholastic book fair held at the school.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at Tradition**

- Assistant Principal Alison Simpson presented the school report to the board to include enrollment reported at 1054 students with a budgeted amount of 1070 students.
- PTC activities and school highlights to include: A spring dance for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade, Saturday tutoring, 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to Washington DC, and an FSA Informational Parent night.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at Wellington**

- Principal Andrea Reilly presented the school report to the board to include enrollment reported at 522 students with a budgeted amount 638 students. Recommits are at 97%.
- PTC activities and school highlights to include: Science Saturday and Dr. Seuss Week where the school celebrated literacy and the students dressed as their favorite Dr. Seuss characters.

#### **Renaissance Charter School at West Palm Beach**

- Principal Michael Lupton presented the school report to the board to include enrollment reported at 935 students with a budgeted amount 972 students. They have 437 new applicants.
- PTC activities and school highlights to include: Jump Rope for the Heart fundraiser where they raised \$4000 for that charity, FSA writing testing, and Saturday University for the next two weeks.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

#### NWEA Fall Reporting:

- The Regional Education Directors presented the board with the NWEA Fall Benchmark results for the targeted and new schools for the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. portfolio of schools.
- The board discussed these results and any questions were answered by the Principals and the Regional Directors.

#### ESOL/Out of Field Waivers

- The board reviewed and discussed Out of Field Waivers for schools that were presented.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Thomas Wheeler and seconded by Shane Strum to approve the ESOL/Out of Field Waivers as presented (see attached). Motion was approved unanimously.**

#### Approval of Parent/Student Handbooks

- The board was presented with the 2015-16 Parent/Student Handbooks for all schools governed by Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc.
- The board reviewed and discussed the 2015-16 Parent/Student Handbooks and all requests for clarity were answered by the Principals and/or Regional Director.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Thomas Wheeler and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the 2015-16 Parent/Student Handbooks, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.**

#### Renaissance Charter School at Summit Staff Recognition Funds

- Principal Heather Czeskleba provided an overview of the SAC meeting convened at the school and decisions reached by SAC committee regarding school recognition funds.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Thomas Wheeler and seconded by Shane Strum to approve the Recognition Funds option selected by Renaissance Charter School at Summit. Motion was approved unanimously.**

#### Duval Charter School at Arlington (Scholars Academy) Staff Recognition Funds

- Principal Michelle Thompson provided an overview of the SAC meeting convened at the school and decisions reached by SAC committee regarding school recognition funds.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Thomas Wheeler and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the Recognition Funds option by Duval Charter School at Arlington (Scholars Academy). Motion was approved unanimously.**

### IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Derek Kelmanson, CSUSA, provided an update of the potential new schools in the Orlando Metro area.

- Chairman Haiko shared with the board that the Appellate Court in Tallahassee overturned the Palm Beach County District's decision to deny the new high school application. The next step is to go before the State Board of Education for approval.

**V. Financials**

**FY16 Q2 Financials**

- Damon Schnurr presented the board with FY16 Q2 Financial presentation for Renaissance Charter School, Inc.
- The board discussed the financials and all questions were answered by Mr. Schnurr, the Regionals, and the Principals.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Thomas Wheeler and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the FY16 Q2 Financial Report for Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc., as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**VI. ANNUAL MEETING**

- Chairman Haiko opened the floor for nomination for Chairman of the board.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Shane Strum and seconded by Dennis Clark to nominate Ken Haiko as the Board Chair. Motion was approved unanimously.**

- Chairman Haiko opened the floor for nomination for Vice Chair/Secretary of the board.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Ken Haiko and seconded by Shane Strum to nominate Dennis Clark for Vice Chair/Secretary. Motion was approved unanimously.**

- Chairman Haiko opened the floor for nomination for Treasurer.

**MOTION: Motion was made by Shane Strum and seconded by Dennis Clark to nominate Thomas Wheeler as the Treasurer. Motion was approved unanimously.**

- The board tabled the approval of the Conflict of Interest form until they could review a redline version distinguishing the changes.

**VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- There were no public comments at this time.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Shane Strum to adjourn the April 6, 2016 Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc. board meeting. Motion was approved unanimously.**



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Ken Haiko, Chairman

Date: 4-6-16

<b>KEYS GATE CHARTER SCHOOL</b>						
<b>ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS</b>						
	<b><i>TEACHERS' NAME</i></b>		<b><i>ESOL</i></b>	<b><i>Reading</i></b>	<b><i>Gifted</i></b>	<b><i>OOF WAIVER</i></b>
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1	Karinne	Bedowsky				X-Biology
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Renaissance at Goldenrod CHARTER SCHOOL

ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS

	<u>TEACHERS' NAME</u>		<u>ESOL</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Gifted</u>	<u>OOF WAIVER</u>
	<u>FIRST</u>	<u>LAST</u>				
1	Christian	Christian	x			x
2	Zaida Aldahondo		x			
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<u>Governors CHARTER SCHOOL</u>						
<u>ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS</u>						
	<u>TEACHERS' NAME</u>		<u>ESOL</u>	<u>Reading</u>	<u>Gifted</u>	<u>OOF WAIVER</u>
	<u>FIRST</u>	<u>LAST</u>				
1	<i>Enter First Name</i>	<i>Enter last Name</i>	x	x		x
2	Lynn	Jones	X			
3	Shawn	Ackerman				X
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Renaissance at Pines CHARTER SCHOOL 5710						
ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS						
	TEACHERS' NAME		ESOL	Reading	Gifted	OOF WAIVER
	FIRST	LAST				
1	Enter First Name	Enter last Name	X	X		X
2	Christina	Cain	X			
3	Ivelises	Calvo	X			
4	Carolyn	Johnson	X			X
5	Eileen	Rosa	X			
6	Nypmi	Williams	X			X
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**RENAISSANCE at PLANTATION CHARTER SCHOOL**

**ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS**

	<b>TEACHERS' NAME</b>		<b>ESOL</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Gifted</b>	<b>OOF WAIVER</b>
	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>LAST</b>				
1	Natasha	DeCruise	X			
2	Harryane	Etienne	X			MS S.Studies
3	April	Herring	X			K-6
4	Devon	Howard				K-6
5	Lori	Inskeep	X			
6	Ayanna	Jaikaran	X			K-6
7	Tara	Kearney	X			K-6
8	Destiny	Keen				
8	Amanda	Legros				K-6
10	Roshanne	Peters	X			
11	Primrose	Thompson	X			
12	Gwendolyn	Young				MS Math

Renaissance Charter School at University

**ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS**

<b>ESOL AND OUT OF FIELD WAIVERS</b>							
	<b>TEACHERS' NAME</b>		<b>ESOL</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Math</b>	<b>Gifted</b>	<b>OOF WAIVER</b>
	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>LAST</b>					
1	Petal	Fawcett-Archer	X	X	X		X
2	Dari	Mareus	X	X	X		X
3	Christopher	London	X	X	X		X
4	Jessica	McLemore	X	X	X		X
5	Rebecca	Milazzo	X	X	X		X
6	William	MacDonald	X	X	X		X
7	Tequesta	Pitts	X	X	X		X
8	Brittney	Turnquest	X				X
9	Marian	Demarest	X		X		X
10	Chiquita	Austin	X	X			X
11	Racquel	Crutchley	X	X			X
12	Cornesha	Minnifield	X	X			X
13	Craft	Cornelius	X	X			X
14	Castillo	Tefanny	X	X	X		X
15	James	Erica	X	X	X		X
16	Nattiel	Tikyah	X	X	X		X
17	Ebanks	Saudia	X	X	X		X
18	Houlihan	Ruby	X				X
19	Jones	Tamia	X				X
20	Britton	Charl	X				X
21	Waith	Alicia	X	X	X		X
22	Laurent	Judith	X	X	X		X
23	Bido	Leah	X	X	X		X
24	Bonny	Curtis	X		X		X