

MEETING MINUTES

The Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Board of Directors' Meeting

School(s): Hollywood Academy of Arts & Science Middle School
North Broward Academy of Excellence Middle School
Renaissance Elementary Charter School
Renaissance Middle Charter School

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
11/04/05	10:15 a.m.	12:15 p.m.	January 2006	11:30 a.m.	Brenda Santiago, CSUSA
Meeting Location:					
Charter School USA, 6245 N. Federal Hwy., 5 th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308					
Attended by:					
Board Members: Ken Haiko, Chairperson & President Shane Strum, Vice President Dennis Clark, Treasurer Thomas Wheeler, Director (by phone)			CSUSA Staff: Jonathan Hage, President & CEO Maria de L. Rodriguez, Director of School Support Lorrie Davidson, Controller David Cash, Staff Accountant Brenda Santiago, School Support Specialist/Governing Board Liaison Ana Mejido, Assistant Principal, RECS (by phone) Michael Hoffman, Principal, NBAEMS Elizabeth Rivero, Assistant Principal, HAASHS (by phone)		
Not present: Laura R. Seidman, Secretary					

I. Call to Order

The meeting commenced at 10:15 a.m. with a call to order by Ken Haiko, Board Chair.

II. Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the Board meeting held on September 9, 2005.

A motion was made by Mr. Shane to approve the minutes; Dennis Clark seconded the motion; the minutes were approved unanimously.

III. School Reports

A. North Broward Academy of Excellence Middle School

Mr. Hoffman, Principal of North Broward Academy of Excellence, reported:

- There were no major damages to the main school site (West Campus) as a result of Hurricane Wilma; however, the East Campus experienced more damages in its facilities. Mr. Hage indicated that the school facilities should be completed by the beginning of the new school year and that all students will be moved to the West Campus.
- Enrollment is about 450 for the whole school with no more space for new students.
- The school is having great progress, and the staff is stable and working hard. Their goal is to have an Assistant Principal hired by January.
- They are in need of providing better technology resources for the students.
- Being of the philosophy that education is about teachers teaching kids, the school has delineated responsibilities for all teachers, providing more responsibilities and more authority.
- The school began a Saturday detention program and is strongly tackling discipline issues.

B. Hollywood Academy of Arts and Science Middle School

Ms. Rivero, Assistant Principal of HAASMS presented:

- The school has 608 FTE students in attendance, with 102 students enrolled in the middle school
- The school received an Idea grant for \$7,779.00 to hire a part-time paraprofessional to work with ESE students. The school has ten additional ESE students. It also received a \$30,000.00 Arts grant, from the City of Hollywood, to work in partnership with the Arts & Cultural Center.
- Desks for 6th graders are coming in today.
- Teacher professional development activities are scheduled during Early Release Day and Teacher Planning Day.

C. Renaissance Charter School and Renaissance Middle Charter School

Ms. Mejido, Assistant Principal of RECS and RMCS reported:

- The school experienced minor damages due to hurricane Wilma. The fence that was damaged has been already repaired. The school reopened yesterday, with a smooth opening.
- They have 648 FTE students with 501 in the elementary school and 47 in the middle school. Their enrollment is at capacity as they are waiting for the Middle school location for expansion in grades 6-8. Mr. Hage commented that the real estate market in Doral is tight but they are aggressively looking for a site to house the middle school and possibly upper elementary grades 4th and 5th.
- The Mayor of the City of Doral recently visited the school and was very impressed with the school. The City is creating an education committee and Mrs. Cordal, the School Principal, volunteered to chair the group.

IV. Finance

Lorrie Davidson introduced Mr. David Cash to the Board. He will be in charge of Corporate Finance and she will be in charge of School Finance. She also reported to the Board:

- All schools are meeting or exceeding the projected FTE.
- The finance department is currently working on completing the first quarterly financial report for NBAEMS, HAASMS, RECS and RMCS.

V. Old Business - None

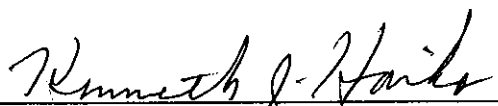
VI. New Business - None

VII. Open Forum - None

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting recessed at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened at 12:45 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, and after a motion made by Mr. Shane, seconded by Mr. Clarke and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

The next Renaissance Charter School, Inc. meeting will be held in January 2006.


Kenneth J. Haiko, Board Chair

Date: 2/3/06