

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc.

Board Meeting: December 17, 2019

School(s):

Renaissance Charter School at Wellington
 Renaissance Charter School at Pines
 Renaissance Charter at University
 Hollywood Academy of Arts/Science School
 Renaissance Charter School at Plantation
 Palms West Charter School
 Renaissance Charter School at West Palm Beach
 Renaissance Elementary Charter School
 Keys Gate Charter High School
 Duval Charter Scholars Academy
 Duval Charter High at Bay Meadows
 Duval Charter School at Bay Meadows
 Duval Charter School at Coastal

Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm
 Governors Charter Academy
 Renaissance Charter School at Boggy Creek
 Hollywood Academy of Arts/Science Middle
 School

Renaissance Charter School at Poinciana
 Renaissance Charter School at Summit
 Renaissance Middle Charter School

Renaissance Charter School at St. Lucie
 Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs
 Renaissance Charter School at Cooper City
 Renaissance Charter School at Hunters Creek
 Renaissance Charter School at Crown Point
 Renaissance Charter School at Cypress
 Renaissance Charter at Chickasaw Trail
 Renaissance Charter School at Tradition
 Four Corners Upper School
 Renaissance Charter School at Goldenrod
 Renaissance Charter School at Tapestry

Duval Charter at Mandarin
 Duval Charter at Southside
 Duval Charter at Westside
 North Broward Academy of Excellence
 North Broward Academy of Excellence Middle School
 Duval Charter School at Flagler Center

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Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
December 17, 2019	10:30am	11:48am	January 15, 2019	TBA	R. Weaver
Meeting Location:					
ONSITE LOCATION: Palms West Charter School, 12031 Southern Blvd., Loxahatchee, Fl 33470					
Attended by:					
Board Members: Ken Haiko, Chairman Dennis Clark, Vice-Chairman Tom Wheeler, Treasurer Billie Miller, Director John O'Brien, Director Pat Smith, Director Absent:			Other Attendees: Principals at above schools Parent Facilitators at above schools Levi Williams, Board Attorney Dr. David Christiansen, Chief of Schools Dr. Eddie Ruiz, Florida State Director Nate Mariano, Area Deputy Director Patrick Galatowitsch, Area Director Rachel Windler-Freitag, Area Director Jodi Evans, Area Director Rita Weaver, Board Governance Manager David Azzerito, VP of HR, CSUSA Myrna Laine Hyppolite, VP FP&A Damon Schnurr, Sr. Financial Analyst		

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 10:30 am with a Call to Order by Chairman Ken Haiko. Roll call was taken, and quorum established. Mr. Haiko thanked Mr. Epstein, Principal at Palms West Charter School for hosting this month's meeting.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

Board Meeting Minutes November 13, 2019

- The board reviewed the meeting minutes from the board meeting on November 13, 2019. Ms. Miller noted a spelling error on her name.

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by John O'Brien to approve the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Meeting Minutes from November 13, 2019, with the corrected edits. Motion was approved unanimously. (6-0)

II. CSUSA REPORTS

Fall Assessment Review

- The board reviewed the Fall testing data of their schools overall as well as the assessments of the Area Directors. The winter testing is ongoing and the board will get that analysis at a future meeting.

Compensation Adders Proposals

- David Azzerito, Vice President of Human Resources presented a compensation proposal adjusting the adders and what that would mean to the board's schools' budgets. The board had a robust discussion regarding the ability of CSUSA and the schools to increase the compensation adders for the FY21 Budget. The board also asked about the timing of the budget process. Nate Mariano advised the board on the process that CSUSA has been using to address teacher compensation and retention. The board attorney, Levi Williams, reminded the board of their contractual obligations. All questions were answered by Mr. Azzerito, Ms. Laine-Hyppolite and Dr. Eddie Ruiz.

III. FINANCIALS

Q1 2020 Financial Review

- Damon Schnurr, Sr. Financial Analyst, presented the Q1 2020 Financial results to the board and advised that the variance is being caused by enrollment shortfall and increased taxes and benefits line items. Mr. Haiko noted the importance of enrollment to the financial situation of the schools.

MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Pat Smith to approve the Q1 2020 Financial Review for all the schools in the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. board portfolio, listed above. Motion was approved unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Title I School Improvement Plan for Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm

Title I School Improvement Plan for Renaissance Charter School at University

- The board reviewed Title I plans for Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm and Renaissance Charter School at University.

MOTION: An In Totem Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by John O'Brien to approve the Title I School Improvement Plan for Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm and the Title I School Improvement Plan for Renaissance Charter School at University, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

St. Lucie High School Expansion Development Agreement

- The board reviewed the St. Lucie High School expansion development agreement between Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and Red Apple Development, LLC. The board noted it is the same as previous development agreements and Dr. Christiansen updated the board on the meeting he had with the District and submission of the charter application. Rita Weaver will circulate the final filed application to the board. Dr. Christiansen outlined that at a future board meeting he will bring the new curriculum plan to the board.

MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by John O'Brien to approve the St. Lucie High School Expansion Development Agreement between Renaissance Charter School, Inc. and Red Apple Development, LLC, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

A+ Recognition Money

- The board reviewed the A+ Recognition Money Votes and distribution plan for the following schools: Duval Charter School at Coastal and Renaissance Charter School at Crown Point, respectively.

MOTION: A motion was made by John O'Brien and seconded by Billie Miller to approve the distribution and votes of the A+ Recognition Money for Duval Charter School at Coastal, and Renaissance Charter School at Crown Point, respectively, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Security Update

- Mr. Gus Xhudo, Director of Security for CSUSA updated the board on the Security assessments and the SRO, SSO, and Guardian requirements of the statute as well as the current plan implemented and the upcoming plan to utilize a security company and the goal to have security uniform across the network. Mr. Wheeler asked several questions regarding compliance and the options being utilized. All questions were answered by Mr. Xhudo.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- There were no public comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by John O'Brien to adjourn the Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc. December 17, 2019 board meeting. Motion passed unanimously.



Ken Haiko, Chairman

Date: 1-15-2020