

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc.

Board Meeting: January 11, 2022

School(s):

Duval Charter Scholars Academy	Renaissance Charter School at Boggy Creek
Duval Charter High School	Renaissance Charter School at Central Palm
Duval Charter School at Bay Meadows	Renaissance Charter at Chickasaw Trail
Duval Charter School at Coastal	Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs
Duval Charter School at Flagler Center	Renaissance Charter School at Cooper City
Duval Charter School at Mandarin	Renaissance Charter School at Crown Point
Duval Charter School at Southside	Renaissance Charter School at Cypress
Duval Charter School at Westside	Renaissance Elementary Charter School at Doral
Four Corners Upper School	Renaissance Charter School at Goldenrod
Governors Charter Academy	Renaissance Charter School at Hunters Creek
Hollywood Academy of Arts & Science	Renaissance Middle Charter School at Doral
Hollywood Academy of Arts & Science Middle School	Renaissance Charter School at Pines
Keys Gate Charter High School	Renaissance Charter School at Plantation
North Broward Academy of Excellence	Renaissance Charter School at Poinciana
North Broward Academy of Excellence Middle School	Renaissance Charter School at Summit
Tradition Preparatory High School	Renaissance Charter School at St. Lucie
	Renaissance Charter School at Tapestry
	Renaissance Charter School at Tradition
	Renaissance Charter School at University
	Renaissance Charter School at Wellington
	Renaissance Charter School at West Palm Beach

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
January 11, 2022	10:32 a.m.	11:20 a.m.	February 2, 2022	10:00 am	M.Llanes/ R.Weaver

Meeting Location:

Schools Listed above

Attended by:

Board Members:

Ken Haiko, Chairman
Dennis Clark, Vice-Chairman
Billie Miller, Director
John O'Brien, Director
Paul Sallarulo, Director

Absent:

Pat Smith, Director
Tom Wheeler, Treasurer

Other Attendees:

Levi Williams, Board Attorney
Principals and Parent Facilitators at above schools
Rita Weaver, Board Governance Director, CSUSA
Dr. Eddie Ruiz, State Director of Florida
Rachel Windler Freitag Area 1 Deputy Director
Dr. Patrick Galatowitsch Area 2 Deputy Director
Jodi Evans, Area 4 Deputy Director
Christina Hamlin, Area 5 Deputy Director
Penny Walcott, Finance Director
Maggie Llanes, Executive Coordinator for Board Governance

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 10:32 a.m. with a Call to Order by Chairman Ken Haiko. Roll call was taken, and quorum established.

Renaissance Charter Schools, Inc.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Chair Ken Haiko called for public comments.

Speaker Kamalla Livres informed the board that she read the updated covid policies and has a concern about the freedom of choice for vaccine, testing options, and facial covering. As a parent and staff of the school, she is concerned since she is pregnant and is not given a choice, instead the choice is made by someone else and it affects her body and health and breathing. The second policy stating the 5 days of PTO for COVID positive employees are only for vaccinated individuals vs. unvaccinated ones again is very discriminatory for people that are making choices about their bodies. Some people choose not to get vaccinated or wear a mask and that should be their right, therefore, can the policy be revisited.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE

Approval of the December 15, 2021 Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes

The board reviewed the meeting minutes.

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by Paul Sallarulo to approve the meeting minutes from the December 15, 2021 Renaissance Charter School, Inc. board meeting, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously. (4-0, 2 absent)

III. CSUSA REPORTS

State Director Report

- State Director Dr. Eddie Ruiz updated the board on the surge in COVID cases due to the new variant and returning from winter break and that the CSUSA policy on mandating masks for all adults in the building and strongly recommended masks for students is still in place, as are the COVID protocols implemented at the beginning of the school year.
- The board discussed the winter assessment testing and the tiering of the schools. Dr. Ruiz advised that the State Directors and Deputies will be meeting in February to review the status of the Tier 3 schools and the initiatives in place to improve student outcomes. The Board will review this data at the March meeting.
- The Board also discussed the implementation of the Teacher Compensation Plan ("TCP") and that it would begin to be paid out in January. Human Resources is currently conducting a compensation analysis on non-instructional positions and leadership and that will be brought to the Board in the coming months.

Mrs. Rachel Windler Freitag, Area 1 Deputy director reviewed iPass which is the process that the leadership team provides support to the Tier 3 schools

IV. FINANCIALS

There were no Financials.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Charter Renewals Update

- Billie Miller discussed attending the renewal visit at Renaissance Charter School at Crown Point ("RCCP") and commended Principal Taylor and his staff for all of the creativity and positive culture they have. The children were excited and involved as was the staff.

- The Drama students performed a skit from the movie Shrek and Music teacher, Mr. Mason introduced the percussion group for a performance for the Governing Board. The Governing Board thanked the students for their enthusiasm and performance.
- Principal Taylor also reviewed with the board the Aquaponics Farm that the school has as a highlight and outlined that as there currently is no "Aquaponics Curriculum", the instructional staff at RCCP incorporate a variety of Standards in their instruction utilizing the farm. RCCP will be selling the produce to parents.
- Board Member Billie Miller requested that the Board incorporate a school presentation similar to the RCCP presentation at every board meeting.

The Board discussed the Renaissance Middle Charter School expansion. The item was pulled from the Miami Dade School board January Board meeting as the contract needs to be amended removing the location as the location proposed is no longer an option. The grade expansion will continue the 5-8 and then move to a 6-12 for FY23.

MOTION: Motion was made by Billie Miller and seconded by Dennis Clark to approve the revision of the Renaissance Middle Charter School Expansion Contract, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

- The Board discussed the board meeting scheduled for February 9, 2022 and discussed changing it to February 2, 2022. The Board discussed moving the March meeting from March 9th to March 11, 2022. The board scheduled the June board meeting on June 28, 2022.

MOTION: Motion was made by Paul Sallarulo and seconded by John O'Brien to approve the revision of the 2021-2022 Renaissance Charter School, Inc. board meeting calendar dates, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

VI. NEW BUSINESS
Out of Field Waivers

- The Board reviewed the Out of Field Waivers.

MOTION: A motion was made by Paul Sallarulo and seconded by John O'Brien to approve the Out of Field Waivers for Renaissance Charter School, Inc. portfolio of schools, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

A+ Recognition Money

- The board discussed that the State DOE has not given guidance whether or not the State will appropriate A+ Recognition money this year and the Board discussed that the schools should take the votes as if the money would be issued.

MOTION: A motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Billie Miller to table the A+ Recognition Money agenda item. Motion was approved unanimously.

Title I Plan

- The board reviewed the Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs Title I Plan.
- The board reviewed the Renaissance Charter School at Plantation Title I Plan.

MOTION: A motion was made by Dennis Clark and seconded by Billie Miller to approve the Title I Plan for Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs and the Title I plan for Renaissance Charter School at Plantation, as presented. Motion was approved unanimously.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objections, Chair Haiko adjourned the January 13, 2022 Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Board Meeting at 11:20 a.m.



Ken Haiko, Chairman

Date: 2.02.22