KIPP Delta Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, September 10, 2019
KIPP Delta Central Office Conference Room
Conference Line:
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Board Members in Attendance: Vince Billingsley, Lisa John-Adams, Robin Houseworth, Randy Zook; Darrin Williams, Baxter Sharp, Ron Nurnberg, Kristen Wright, Cathy Cunningham, George Cotton, and Chalk Mitchell joined by conference line.

Staff & KIPP Foundation Representatives in Attendance: Carissa Godwin, Charity Hallman, Amy Charpentier, Cory Washington, John Alford

I.  Board Chair Welcome
   a. Lisa John-Adams called the board meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.
   b. Ms. John-Adams welcomed Board Member Nominee, George Cotton to the meeting.

II.  Consent Agenda
   a. Baxter Sharp motioned for approval of the Consent Agenda as presented; Cathy Cunningham seconded. The consent agenda was approved unanimously.

III. Action Agenda
   a. Carissa Godwin presented information related to the board’s consideration of a resolution in approval of KIPP Delta Public Schools opening and maintaining college savings accounts on behalf of students enrolled at KIPP Delta Elementary Literacy Academy and KIPP Blytheville College Preparatory School and answered questions from the board related to the program. Cathy Cunningham motioned that the board adopt a resolution for KIPP Delta to open savings accounts for KIPP Blytheville College Preparatory School students and continue accounts for KIPP Delta Elementary Literacy Academy students via Southern Bancorp Bank. Robin Houseworth seconded. The resolution was adopted unanimously.
   b. Ms. Godwin shared information related to annual conflict of interest forms and asked board members to complete and return to her by the end of September.
   c. Ms. John-Adams asked board members to review the Board Commitment to Excellence and return signed forms to Ms.
Godwin by the end of September.

d. Mr. Nurnberg presented George Cotton’s resume and bio to the board for consideration for election to the KIPP Delta Board of Directors. Mr. Cotton said a few words regarding his nomination to the board. Vince Billingsley motioned that George Cotton be elected to the KIPP Delta Board of Directors, effective immediately. Chalk Mitchell seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Cotton will be joining the Development & Outreach committee.

IV.** Organizational Health Report**
   a. Carissa Godwin updated the board on key metrics and goals for the 2019-2020 school year and answered questions from the board related to the presentation.

V. **2019-2020 Revised Budget Presentation**
   a. Carissa Godwin presented an update on student enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year and answered related questions.
   b. Charity Hallman presented the revised 2019-2020 budget to the board for approval and answered related questions. Mr. Randy Zook motioned that the KIPP Delta board accept the revised budget for the 2019-2020 school year. Ron Nurnberg seconded the motion. The motion carried.

VI. **FY19 Financial Health Update**
   a. Charity Hallman gave the board an update on the state of KIPP Delta’s finances and answered questions.
   b. Carissa Godwin presented financial strategies for the remainder of the year and answered questions.

VII. **Board Self-Evaluation**
   a. Lisa John-Adams presented a revised process for the board self-evaluation with the board and answered questions related to the new process. Ms. John-Adams shared next steps for the board after the meeting as relates to the new process.
   b. John Alford shared the four questions board members should consider as they complete the self-evaluation and prepare for the November board retreat.

VIII. **Executive Session**
   a. The Board entered into Executive Session at 3:45 p.m. to discuss a confidential personnel issue and adjourned executive session at 4:19 p.m. Carissa Godwin was invited to join Executive Session to answer questions.
IX. Expulsion Hearing for Tyronna Bell-Washington
   a. Cory Washington presented grounds for expulsion of Tyronna Bell-Washington and answered questions from the board.
   b. Tyronna Bell-Washington spoke on her behalf and answered questions from the board related to the incident.
   c. Ms. Diane Tyler spoke on Ms. Bell-Washington’s behalf and answered questions from the board.
   d. The Board entered into Executive Session at 4:34 p.m. to discuss the incident further. Amy Charpentier and Carissa Godwin were invited to join the session. Executive Session concluded at 5:00 p.m.
   e. Lisa John-Adams entertained a motioned that the board expel Tyronna for the remainder of the current semester of the 2019-2020 school year. However, the expulsion is suspended by the Board provided Tyronna’s compliance with specified terms, provided below. Chalk Mitchell motioned. George Cotton seconded this motion. The motion carried.
   • Tyronna must complete her 10 day suspension before returning to school
   • Tyronna must issue a formal written apology to Ms. Ivory, Mr. Washington, and Ms. Jones before her return to school. Additionally, Tyronna must issue a formal apology to her classmates, under the direction of Mr. Washington.
   • Tyronna must fully complete an intake evaluation with counseling and begin mental health counseling
   • Tyronna’s guardian must be willing to check-in with school leadership to share progress or concerns about the student.
   • Tyronna may be required to meet additional requirements as recommended by School Leader, Mr. Cory Washington. Any additional requirements will be communicated to the family by Mr. Washington by the end of the week.

X. Adjournment. The board adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carissa Godwin, September 17, 2019