

## MINUTES

The ECO Charter School held the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Monday January 14, 2019 which convened at 6:01 PM in the Conference Room at 817 Carpenter Street, Camden, New Jersey.

**Meeting was called to order by Dr. King at 6:01 PM.**

### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

**Dr. King read the following notice:** Notice of this Regular Meeting of the ECO Charter School Board of Trustees was mailed to the Courier Post, posted at Borough Hall and a copy thereof delivered to the Camden Clerk. The Chairperson shall entertain any objections, with supporting reasons, to the conduct of this meeting on the grounds that it violates the Open Public Meetings Act.

### **ROLL CALL**

**Jennifer Bailey - present**

**Stan Baker – present**

**Jeffrey Berk – present**

**Carl Boyd – present (6:19pm)**

**Dr. Antoinette Dendtler - present**

**Dr. William King – present**

**Roger Lai – present**

**Katie Richer – present**

**Donna Siminski – present**

**Kelly Wenzel – present**

**Darla Woodring – present**

### **APPROVE MINUTES**

It was moved by Roger Lai and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the minutes of the Regular of the ECO Charter School Board of Trustees held on December 10, 2018.

Roll Call Vote

All In Favor

**OLD BUSINESS**

It was moved by Stan Baker and seconded by Donna Siminski to approve pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4, the Board certifies no budgetary line-item account fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Backup materials F-1)

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Stan Baker and seconded by Donna Siminski to approve in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9, the revised Report of the Board Secretary, including the Current Budget Financial Statement, for November 2018. The Board Secretary certifies that no line item account has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A: 23A – 16.10 (c) 3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Backup Materials F-2)

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

**NEW BUSINESS**

*a. Financial Reports*

It was moved by Stan Baker and seconded by Donna Siminski to approve pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (c) 4, the Board certifies no budgetary line-item account fund has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A – 16.10 (b) and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district’s financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year. (Backup materials F-3)

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Stan Baker and seconded by Donna Siminski that all bills properly approved and certified be paid totaling:

December 8, 2018 thru December 31, 2018	\$ 341,472.86
January 1, 2018 thru January 11, 2019	\$ 60,287.64

(Backup materials F -6)

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Donna Siminski and seconded by Kelly Wenzel to approve providing thirty day notice to Georgiana Howard; last day of service will be February 15, 2019. She was recommended based on the following (Ms. Howard asked for this to be presented in the public):

- She failed to submit lesson plans on time
- She missed planning meetings
- She reluctantly engaged in planning meetings.
- She failed to prepare for instruction.
- Suggestions given have not been taken into consideration for better instruction.
- Her students were not progressing.
- All of the interventions that were provided did not cause for any improvement.

Roll Call Vote      All in Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the hiring of the following personnel:

- Phoenix Ward, Apprentice Teacher, \$45,000 (1/2/2019)
- Amanda Restivo, Apprentice Teacher, \$45,000 (1/2/2019)

Roll Call Vote      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the resignation of the following additional staff member:

- Christine Hibbert effective 12/21/18

Roll Call Vote      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve stipend amounts for the following staff members:

- Donna Cavicchia \$2,500

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve NJ Transit bus wrap marketing campaign with Intersection not to exceed \$15,000.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve bill board advertising campaign with Clear Channel not to exceed \$8,000.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve partnership with the Hispanic Family Center of Southern New Jersey.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve reimbursement of airfare, lodging and related costs for Dr. Dendtler and Principal Desarmes to attend the EL Education Leadership Cohort Conference January 23<sup>rd</sup> thru January 25<sup>th</sup>.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve a motion to conduct a closed executive session at the next Board of Trustees meeting, for the purposes of personnel, legal, or student matters.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

## **HEAD OF SCHOOL'S REPORT**

### **A. Board of Trustees/Governance/Board Education**

- a. Charter Renewal Approval and Increase of Grade Span to include 8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- b. EL Education Network Partnership
  - i. Speaker, Kristina Kyles-Smith, Regional Director, Maryland/DC Metro Area

### **B. Instructional Program**

- a. I-Ready Diagnostic Assessment Window Change
- b. Math 2.0 Workshop
- c. Celebrations of Learning, February 15, 2019

### **C. Human Capital**

- a. Employee Recruitment 19'-20'

### **D. Finance**

- a. ECO 1 Marketing & Student Recruitment Program
- b. Audit Program, Update

### **E. Stakeholder/Community Engagement**

- a. January 23, 2019 @ 5:30 pm – Open Forum: Youth, Social Media and Cyber Safety

## **PUBLIC QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to adjourn.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

Time: 8:15 PM

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jennifer Bailey, M.B.A**  
**School Business Administrator/Board Secretary**