

## MINUTES

The ECO Charter School held the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Monday February 22, 2021, which convened at 6:01 PM in the virtual meeting space held in Google meetings.

**Meeting was called to order by Mr. Lai at 6:01 PM.**

### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

**Mr. Lai 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**  
**Tiffany Ballard-Blair - present**  
**Jeffrey Berk – present**  
**Carl Boyd – present**  
**Dr. Antoinette Dendtler - present**  
**Roger Lai – present**  
**Rakim Turnipseed – absent**  
**Kelly Wenzel – present**

### **APPROVE MINUTES**

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the ECO Charter School Board of Trustees held January 25, 2021.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### *a. Financial Reports*

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker 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 Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve in accordance with 18A: 17-36 and 18A: 17-9, the Report of the Board Secretary, including the Current Budget Financial Statement, be approved for January 2021. 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

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the Treasurer’s Report, in accordance with 18A:17-36 and 18A:17-9, be accepted as of January 2021, and note that it reconciles with the Secretary’s report for the same period. (Backup materials F-3)

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

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

January 23, 2021 thru January 31, 2021	\$ 150,248.63
February 1, 2021 thru February 19, 2021 (Backup materials F -4)	\$ 205,833.67

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the SEMI waiver request for the 2020-2021 school year.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve the revised October 15<sup>th</sup> budget as presented.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker to approve accept the audit and approve the corrective action plan as presented.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve the contract with LinkedIn not to exceed \$7,250 for staff recruitment.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve the contract with SelectEd not to exceed \$4,000 to recruit staff.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve Dr. Dendtler to be reimbursed for social media ads for student and staff recruitment not to exceed \$1,200.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

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

- Ydian Velez effective 03/12/2021 due to new opportunity; waived the 60 day requirement.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve the MOU with New Jersey Audubon for Riverbank Clean Up on March 27,2021 with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class.

Roll Call Vote                      In Favor – Lai, Baker Boyd      Abstain - Wenzel

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve accept the School Ethics Committee’s decision to remove Donna Siminski from the Board of Trustees due to non-completion of required training.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve to seek RFPs for ECO Charter School organizational analysis and comprehensive strategic and succession plan.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Carl Boyd and seconded by Stan Baker approve to seek RFPs for executive management human capital development.

Roll Call Vote                      All In Favor

It was moved by Kelly Wenzel and seconded by Carl Boyd approve plan to transition to the Hybrid Blended Learning Program on April 19<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



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## **HEAD OF SCHOOL'S REPORT & WORK TASKS**

### **A. Academics (Mastery of Knowledge & Skills)/Character/ High Quality Work**

- a. Winter Cycle "In-House" Reading & Math Outcomes
- b. Statewide Request for Testing Waiver
- c. Absenteeism/Truancy
- d. The Pathfinder Program, Updates

### **B. Finance**

- a. Fiscal Audit, Outcomes
- b. Student Enrollment

### **C. Human Capital**

- a. Excessive Time Off Requests
- b. Issues Related to Transitioning to Hybrid Blended Learning
- c. 2021-2022 Employee Recruitment

### **D. Operations**

- a. State of Programming/Transition to Hybrid Blended Learning Program
  - i. Camden County Context
  - ii. ECO Stakeholder Feedback
- b. High School Selection & Placement Support
  - i. State of the State
- c. School Health & Safety Conditions
  - i. COVID-related Programming
    - 1. Testing
    - 2. Vaccinations
    - 3. Reporting
    - 4. Revised Practices

### **E. Family & Community Engagement**

- a. Young Audiences Presentation/Performances, 2/26/21 Tahira, The Gift of Story

### **F. Board Tasks**

- a. Discussion – Policies
  - a. 2000 – Program
- b. Policy Review
  - a. 3000 Teaching Staff Members

## **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: 7:57 PM

**Respectfully submitted,**

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