

# RAINBOW DREAMS ACADEMY

## Governing Board Minutes

Monday, December 9, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM in the Conference at Rainbow Dreams Academy (RDA) by the Board Chair, Diane Pollard and Roll Call was taken.

**Board Members Present:** DaWanda Thomas, Todd McGuire, Diane Pollard, Eric Cole, Todd McGuire, Vic Ross, Jackie Ingram and Theodore Parker, III (via teleconference).

**Guests:** Interim Principal Robin Allen, Melinda Varner, Accountant, Grandparents: Ms. Christy Brown and Beverly Zeiter.

### **Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made by Eric Cole and seconded by Todd McGuire to adopt the agenda; motion carried.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by DaWanda Thomas to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting and was seconded by Todd McGurie; motion carried.

**Interim Principal's Report:** Mrs. Robin Allen, Interim Principal, reported on the following areas: Total enrollment: 290 RDA students 98%, School Activities, Professional Development, Curriculum, Assessments, Facilities, and Audits.

### **Human Resources Report:**

New Hires: L Traneika Ross- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher, Grace Baduho, Special Education Teacher and Jacquelyn Brown, Literacy Specialist.

Terminations: Stanley Clark, and McKinney Williamson.

A motion was made by Eric Coles and seconded by Todd McGuire to approve the Human Resource Report; motion carried.

### **Financial Reports:**

Jackie Ingram and Melinda Varner presented the following reports for review and discussion:

Profit & Loss - Previous Year Comparisons (July - October 2019)

Budget Performance - October 2019

Accounts Payable/ Aging Summary - October 31, 2019

Statement of Financial Position - October 31, 2019

A motion was made by Eric Cole to file reports for audit and was seconded by Jackie Ingram; motion carried.

### **Facilities Committee Report:**

Due to declining enrollment, the Facilities Committee is recommending relocation of all classes currently housed in modular units and that the process for the removal of all modular's begin within 30 days. Middle school classes will be housed in Phase II with elementary classes housed in Phase I for the duration of the current academic year. A motion was made by DaWanda Thomas to accept the recommendations of the committee with a second by Jackie Ingram; motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

A motion was made by Eric Cole to amend the agenda to receive Public Comments at the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Todd McGuire; motion carried.

Ms. Christie Brown, Grandparent, expressed her displeasure with Phalen Leadership Academy (PLA). She explained that she would make an appointment and have to wait for more than 30 minutes before being seen, her phone calls were not returned for 3 weeks and how teachers didn't seem to care about students and did not welcome parental input. She further explained that it took two weeks to get an appointment with the former building Principal. In short PLA did not do a good job in her opinion.

Ms. Brown reported that she requested to speak with Mrs. Pollard and was advised by Front Desk personnel that Mrs. Pollard was not allowed in the building. She further reported that she has 5 grandchildren enrolled at Rainbow Dreams now and never had a problem until PLA came. Ms. Brown also reported that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher called her to discuss her grandson progress and she was not pleased that she had not been inform of a scheduled parent conference.

**Q & A Rainbow Dreams Academy Governing Board Members (Executive Session/Possible Action)**

A motion was made by Vic Ross and seconded by Todd McGuire to enter into Executive Session at 6:55 pm. Following a lengthy discussion, it was moved by Vic Ross to review the Contractual Agreement between RDA and PLA to determine probable cause for breach of contract. The motion was seconded by Eric Cole; motion carried.

**Unfinished/New Business Next Meeting Date: February 2020**

With no further business to discuss, it was moved by Jackie Ingram and seconded by DaWanda Thomas to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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DaWanda Thomas, Secretary

Date: December 17, 2019