

# Great Oaks Charter School - Wilmington

## **Minutes**

## **Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Monday October 17, 2016 at 5:30 PM

#### **Directors Present**

### **Directors Absent**

None

## I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

In Attendance: Nikki Darden (Staff), Patrick Ryan (Staff), Rick landoli (Foundation), Jorden Jones (Staff), Mike McGregor (Foundation), Kia Childs, Geoff Langdon, Michael Maxwell, Sarah Hutton, Kia Ervin, Rob Snowberger

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m. Attendance was read out.

Michael Maxwell made a motion to approve the minutes. Rob Snowberger seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Patrick Ryan called a meeting of the board of directors of Great Oaks Charter School - Wilmington to order on Monday Oct 17, 2016 @ 5:30 PM.

## C. Approve Minutes

Michael Maxwell made a motion to approve the minutes. Rob Snowberger seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

#### II. Academic Excellence

#### A. Head of School Report

We are up for first round of benchmark testing. We are using mastery connect this year instead of ANET. We are also getting ready to use the MAP test, which is an approved DPAS test.

After an October 3 re-test, 86% of kids tested have increased at least 2 F&P levels (one F&P level is equivalent to half a grade level)

343 students as of September 30 unit count. 66 were special education. Nikki is working closely with the state this year to make sure we fully compliant with the unit count manual.

We have moved out of prong 1, with 100% of 2015-2016 special education files being approved as compliant. We are currently in prong 2, which includes spot-checking, on-site monitoring, and PD for the remainder of the school year.

We have solidified a partnership with the Relay Graduate School of Education; we will have a formal residency starting in 2017-2018 where new tutors will be taken in and in their second year of service they will be taking on more responsibilities and getting their certification. It is a great opportunity to incubate talent from within. We currently have several corps members and teachers becoming certified and highly qualified through Relay but this will be a more formal partnership.

## **III. Executive Session**

## A. Discussion of litigation

Michael Maxwell made a motion to move to executive session to discuss litigation and new board members, with the caveat that he will recuse himself during the discussion of litigation. Rob Snowberger seconded. Executive session began at 5:50 p.m.

Executive session ended at 6:14. Michael Maxwell made a motion to approve two new board members:

Chelsea Ringen – teacher at Great Oaks
Crystal Edwards – parent of a student at Great Oaks
pending their acceptance of the offer. Geoff Langdon seconded. Motion passed
unanimously.

## **B.** New Board Members

#### IV. Finance

## A. Vote on Monthly Web Report

Rick has been working with Karen about the DE system to figure out a better way to report on things and improve transaction processes. Vanessa has been attending a lot of training so that we can be more involved in the process. We are going to be working a lot over the next month to take Innovative Schools' cash-basis reporting and putting it in the format we prefer to work with, with projections.

Rob Snowberger made a motion to approve the web report. Michael Maxwell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Various expansion plans were discussed. A vote will take place in November.

## V. Closing Items

## A. Adjourn Meeting

Michael Maxwell made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Rob Snowberger seconds.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Maxwell
Michael Maxwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Rob Snowberger seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.