

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING
HOPE ONLINE LEARNING ACADEMY CO-OP
Meeting Minutes: August 8, 2019 6:30 p.m.**

APPROVED by the Board of Directors on November 14, 2019

BOARD Members Present: Kim Rossi, Betty Johnson (by phone), Bill de la Cruz (by phone),
Kristine Turner and Jeff Vigil (by phone)

BOARD Members Absent: none

HOPE Attendees: Heather O'Mara (Chief Executive Officer)

Other Attendees: Pat McGraw (Academic Systems)

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by K. Rossi. Roll call was taken.

1. Posting of Meeting Notice

- K. Rossi advised that it was confirmed that the meeting notice was posted at Douglas County School District by Ms. Tamra Taylor and on the HOPE website in accordance with the Colorado Open Meetings Law.

2. Quorum

- K. Rossi noted that a quorum is present because at least half of the Board members are present.

3. Meeting Purpose

- This regular meeting of the Board of Directors focused on certain items relating to the organization's operations and provided an opportunity for the Board to act (through approval) or voice concerns (through disapproval).
- K. Rossi reminded the Board that the Shark Cage (Exhibit 1) was the Board's guiding document for strategic discussion.
- K. Rossi noted that the strategic discussion topics for November 2019 will be: 2019/2020 Final Budget, based on October count; Enrollment Review and Learning Center Summary; Accountability Planning and MOU Renewals.

4. Agenda Approval

- *K. Rossi called for any objections to approval of the meeting agenda. There being no objections; the meeting agenda was approved.*

6. Consent Agenda

- Approval of 05/07/2019 Regular Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 2)
- Approval of 05/09/2019 Regular Meeting Minutes (Exhibit 3)

K. Rossi called for any objections to approval of the item(s) on the consent agenda. There being no objections, the items on the consent agenda were approved.

7. Strategic Discussion

H. O'Mara led the discussion on the following items:

- a. Douglas County School District
 - i. Quarterly Report, submitted August 2, 2019 (Exhibit 4)
H. O'Mara highlighted the DCSD Quarterly Report. She reported on the progress that HOPE is making on the Pathways Plan, highlighting iCAP commitments by mentors, the DU leadership program for learning center directors and the 19/20 PD plan. Further, H. O'Mara addressed the UIP, facilities safety and the Management Partners' Report.
 - ii. Governing Board Training, required by DCSD Charter Contract
H. O'Mara reminded the Board that the new DCSD charter contract requires that all Board members complete governance training before the end of the school year. The Alliance of Douglas County Charter Schools is planning a governing board training. Alternatively, options are available through the Colorado League of Charter Schools and CDE.

- b. Accountability: Pathways Plan and Management Partners' Quarterly Report
 - i. Management Partners' Summary Report, dated August 2019 (Exhibit 5)
H. O'Mara referenced the Management Partners Report which summarized the accomplishments of Dr. Goetz and Ms. Munzert over the past 2+ years.
 - ii. Academic Systems Update
P. McGraw provided an Academic Systems Update, highlighting the learning center dashboards that will drive the PLCs at each learning center, the 19/20 PD plan and the implementation of iReady.
 - iii. State Review Panel, Fall 2019
H. O'Mara explained that the Board would be required to participate in meetings with the State Review Panel in late September to address the academic performance of HOPE Elementary if its 2019 SPF rating is Priority Improvement or Turnaround.

- c. Memoranda of Understanding
 - H. O'Mara updated the Board on the 2019 MOU process, with additional discussion about the APS/ Power MOU. She also reminded the Board that HOPE would seek renewals of its agreements with Boulder (Front Range Academy) and Eaton (New Hope Academy) in 2020.
 - i. MOU Summary (Exhibit 6)
 - ii. MOUs
 - 1. 2019 Completed: Adams 14 School District, Cherry Creek School District, Denver Public Schools, Jefferson County Schools
 - 2. 2019 Open: Aurora Public Schools
 - 3. MOUs expiring in 2020: Boulder and Eaton
 - iii. APS MOU re: Power Learning Academy
 - 1. Standard MOU, dated June 14, 2019 (Exhibit 7a)
 - 2. APS Petition for Declaratory Order and Motion to Stay, submitted to SBE on June 28, 2019 (Exhibit 7b)

3. HOPE Petition Seeking Leave to Intervene, submitted to SBE on July 5, 2019 (Exhibit 7c)
 4. APS Complaint and Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order, filed with Arapahoe County District Court on July 12, 2019 (Exhibit 7d)
 5. Stipulated Notice of Dismissal and Order of Dismissal, filed with and granted by Arapahoe County District Court on July 29, 2019 (Exhibit 7e)
- d. 2019/2020
- i. Learning Center and Projected Enrollment Summary (Exhibit 8)
H. O'Mara reported that, for 19/20, HOPE will operate 19 learning centers in 11 school districts. Enrollment is expected to be 2,000-2,200 for October count.
 - ii. Safety & Security Plan (Exhibit 9)
H. O'Mara provided an update on HOPE's safety and security changes for 19/20, highlighting installation of uAttend and emergency alert systems at every learning center site.

7. Informational Items

The following information was sent to the Board prior to the meeting for their review. H. O'Mara briefly highlighted each item and reminded each Board member to turn in updated Conflict of Interest forms:

- a. Academic Quality
 - i. Learning Center Dashboard Exemplar (Exhibit 10)
 - ii. iReady (Exhibit 11)
- b. Governance
 - i. Financial Statements as of June 30, 2019 – unaudited (Exhibit 12)
 - ii. Annual Conflict of Interest Form (Exhibit 13)
- c. Advocacy
 - i. HOPE Happenings (Exhibit 14)
- d. Strategy
 - i. Growth Data: It Matters, and It's Complicated (Data Quality Campaign, January 2019) (Exhibit 15)
 - ii. 2019 National Dropout Convention Conference, October 5-8, 2019, Denver, (Exhibit 16)

8. Public Comment: None

9. Executive Session: None

10. Other Business:

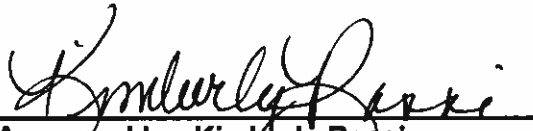
- a. Upcoming Dates:
 - i. Aurora Public Schools: MOU hearing on August 13th and August 20th (evening)
 - ii. State Board of Education: APS Declaratory Order on August 15th; APS MOU Appeal on September 11th or 12th (if necessary, business day)
 - iii. State Review Panel: September, TBD (business day)
 - iv. Sports & Activities (Exhibit 17)
 1. Aviation Day on September 6th (Spartan College/ United Airlines)
 2. 2K Fun Run: September 13th at 10am (Bluff Lake Nature Center)


3. HOPEComing: September 19th at 6:30pm (Casa Bonita)
4. Soccer and Volleyball: August – October

11. **Announcements by Board Members:** None

12. **Adjourn:** K. Rossi called for any objections to adjourning the meeting. There being no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

**The Board was reminded that next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for
November 14, 2019 at 6:30 pm.**


Approved by: Kimberly Rossi
Chairman of the Board of Directors
HOPE Online Learning Academy Co-Op


Date