

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Governing Authority of the *Unity Academy* at Educational Solutions Company located at 2740 Airport STE 300, Columbus, Ohio 43219 on September 19, 2024

Dr. Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Louis Morgan	Present
Paula Parlett	Present
Gloria Anderson	Present
Dennis McKay	Absent
Shonen Thomas	Virtual

OTHER'S PRESENT: Dr. Robert Stephens, Estella Stephens, Basmary Morales, Vicki Travis, Gayle Gilmore, Caroline Zito and Dawn Waddell (via telephone)

Paula Parlett moved and Louis Morgan seconded that the Governing Authority approve the minutes for the August 22, 2024 meeting. (Exhibit A)

ROLL CALL:

Gloria Anderson	Yea
Louis Morgan	Yea
Paula Parlett	Yea

☒ Passed

☐ Failed

Paula Parlett moved and Gloria Anderson seconded that the Governing Authority approve the Treasurer's Report presented by Ms. Zito. (Exhibit B)

Financial Summary

Operating Receipts

Operating disbursements

Non operating receipts

Budget - remaining budget

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ROLL CALL:

Gloria Anderson	Yea
Louis Morgan	Yea
Paula Parlett	Yea

☒ Passed

☐ Failed

Director of Academics Report and CEO/Superintendent's Report

Presented by Dr. Estella Stephens, Superintendent; she spoke on:

Current Enrollment is 100

Sponsor site visit will be on Oct 16, 2024

New administrator aspire training will be on October 24th and 26th.

Unity has a new Principal

The Treasure report is due Oct 25, 2024

The aspire training is happening with the adults on site on Saturdays.

Executive Director's report (Exhibit C)

Dr. Robert Stephens summarized the preliminary release of 2023-24 academic data and ratings for Unity Academy. The school experienced a 35% increase in its Performance Index from 57.4 to 77.2! Moreover, the school's overall performance was ranked at 4.5 on a 5 point scale (A-), which represents an outstanding increase! Management thanks the hard work of interim Principal Dr. Barbra Bowers, consultant Kim Williams for leading Unity teachers and staff for this outstanding performance!

Unity Academy went to the University of Maryland leadership shore for a week and a short video presentation of their experience and students in action was shared.

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Sponsor's Report

Sponsor representative, Dawn Waddell spoke by phone:

The three schools rank right at the top

Chronic absenteeism - categorizing students in the right list to determine why the percentage of their absences may be high.

Consent Agenda

Approve the Annual Conflict of Interest Certification for each Governing Board Member for the 2024-2025 School Year (updated absent board member)

Approve the Written Attestation for governing Board Members for the 2024-2025 School Year (update absent board member)

Approve the Written Attestation for Employees for the 2024-2025 School Year (updated)

Approve the Written Attestation for Contracted Employees for the 2024-2025 School Year (updated)

Approve, Affirm and ratify the appointment of staff members holding long term substitute licenses.

Gloria Anderson moved and Paula Parlett seconded that the Governing Authority approve the Consent Agenda.

ROLL CALL:

Gloria Anderson Yea

Louis Morgan Yea

Paula Parlett Yea

X Passed

Failed

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Fall Policy Updates

- Appendix 254 - Calamity Day

Gloria Anderson moved and Paula Parlett seconded that the Governing Authority approve the Fall Policy updates, Appendix 254 Calamity Day.

ROLL CALL:

Gloria Anderson	Yea
Louis Morgan	Yea
Paula Parlett	Yea

☒ Passed

☐ Failed

The meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Attest:

Louis Morgan

President

Basmary Morales

Secretary