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KIPP Delta, Inc.

Minutes of the Board of Director's Meeting

Date: July 19, 2011
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Place: KIPP Delta Public Schools
Helena, AR
Attendance: Chalk Mitchell, Scott Shirey, Matt Colburn, Marcus Nelson, Mrs. Peals, and Anika Baltimore were present. Sam Commella, Dwayne May, Maisie Wright, Brent Black, Randy Zook, Chris Allen, and parent, Mrs. Peals, attended through a conference call. Meg Salta took minutes.

I. Introduction

Mr. Chalk Mitchell called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

II. Board Chair Report

No formal report given. Mr. Chalk Mitchell discussed his trip to Aspen, Colorado with Mr. Scott Shirey and Mr. Randy Zook for KIPP Board Members and Leaders. He was able to talk with the CEO of United Negro College Fund and announced he will be the commencement speaker this year.

Mr. Mitchell announced he will be stepping down this year as Board Chair due to other commitments and would like to suggest Mr. Randy Zook to be next Board Chair.

III. Executive Director Report

Mr. Scott Shirey provided a power point presentation to the board which reviewed six basic questions that KIPP National is asking all of its schools. The presentation included data from the KIPP Delta District. The presentation showed what KIPP Delta is doing well and items that should be improved upon.

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Presentations of data will be shown at quarterly board meetings. Mr. Chalk Mitchell asked that the Executive Director Report be accepted. Mr. Sam Commella motioned to approve the Executive Director Report, Ms. Stacey Sells seconds. Unanimous.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Mr. Randy Zook asked for a motion that the Board Minutes from the April meeting, Development Committee Report, Finance Committee Report, and Governance and Nominating Committee Report to be accepted. Ms. Stacey Sells motioned to approve the consent agenda, Mr. Chalk Mitchell seconds. Unanimous.

V. Action Agenda

A. Board Structure and Nominations

Mr. Sam Commella motioned to nominate Ms. Stacey Sells as board secretary. Ms. Stacey Sells motioned to approve, Mr. Sam Commella seconds. Unanimous.

The board motioned to nominate Mr. Brent Black as Finance Committee chair, Ms. Stacey Sells as Development Committee chair, and Mr. Randy Zook as Governance and Nominations Committee chair. Mr. Randy Zook motioned to approve board structure and nominations, Mr. Sam Commella seconds. Unanimous.

B. 2011-2012 KIPP Delta Budget

After reviewing updates and changes to the 2011-2012 KIPP Delta Budget, Mr. Randy Zook asked if the board would like to approve the budget. Mr. Sam Commella moved to approve the 2011-2012 KIPP Delta Budget, Ms. Stacey Sells seconds. Unanimous.

C. Board Resolution for a Board Chair Signature Stamp

Ms. Stacey Sells moved to approve the board resolution for a Board Chair Stamp of Mr. Randy Zook's signature, Mr. Chalk Mitchell seconds. Unanimous.

D. Board Resolution for Facility Financing

Mr. Matt Colburn asked the board the approval to sign off on all facility information and materials related to the new Blytheville campus. The board discussed the contract with USDA and AVest Bank thoroughly and came to an agreement.

The board authorized approval for Mr. Matt Colburn to sign off on facility contracts with a fixed rate at or below 7 percent to take a loan 20 years minimum. If rate is above 7 percent, must seek approval at a later time. Mr. Sam Commella moved to approve the board resolution for Facility Financing, Mr. Brent Black seconds. Unanimous.

VI. Other Topics of Discussion

A. Growth Strategy

Mr. Scott Shirey asked the board for counsel on growth in Blytheville and other regions. He also asked for approval to open an elementary school in Blytheville July 2012 as planned by Charter School Growth Fund without definite school leader that has gone through Fisher Fellow Program.

The board approved Mr. Scott Shirey's growth plan strategy to continue to grow in Blytheville and open an elementary school in the summer of July 2012.

B. Mrs. Peals, KIPP Delta Parent from Forrest City, attended the board meeting to bring up some concerns to the board. Mrs. Peals asked what platform parents had to voice concerns and questions about KIPP Delta and what was going on in the schools.

Mr. Scott Shirey addressed her concerns with the announcement of the start up of regular PTA meetings starting in the fall of 2011.

C. Mr. Sam Commella asked how Kameron Chattman was doing in school since he was allowed to return to KIPP Delta Collegiate High School. Reports from his teachers state he was better in classes and completing assignments. He also has become a leader for his grade and peer group.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Chalk Mitchell moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Stacey Sells motioned and Mr. Sam Commella seconds. The meeting was adjourned at 6:54pm.

Randy Zook,
Board President

Scott Shirey,
Executive Director