

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

*A meeting of the Explore Knowledge Academy Charter School Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, May 12th, 2021 over teleconference.*

Board president Michelle Alarie calls the regular meeting to order at 4:30PM

### I - GENERAL

**Roll Call and adoption of agenda:** A quorum is established with the following board members present:

Michelle Alarie – President  
Michael (Mike) Robison – Vice President  
Tracy DiFillippo – Secretary - Absent  
Pam Tarkanian – Trustee  
Amy Runge – Trustee - Absent  
Rachael O’Leary – Treasurer  
Terri Keener – Trustee - Absent

Ms. Alarie presents a declaration of posting of board meeting agenda.

### II - PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Public Comments I:** No public comments are given.

### III - AGENDAS AND MINUTES

**Adoption of Agenda:** Mike Robison moves to approve the adoption of agenda as presented. Amy Runge seconds the motion. Michelle Alarie calls for a vote. The vote is unanimous and the motion passes.

**Approval of Minutes:** Amy Runge moves to approve the board minutes from April 15th, 2021 as amended. Mike Robison seconds the motion. Michelle Alarie calls for a vote. The vote is unanimous and the motion passes.

### IV - ORGANIZATIONAL

**Community Council:** No reports are given.

**Administration:** Abbe gives an update on some end of the year events including graduation. Abbe also explains how EKA celebrated staff and teacher appreciation week.

**Finance:** Lori Rogers answers questions about the check details for 2021

**Advisors:** Joanne Sanders gives updates on what each grade is learning.

**Board Members:** No reports are given.

## V - BUSINESS

**2021-2022 Staffing Approvals:** Michelle Alarie explains the board just needs to approve for the staffing. Amy Runge moves to approve for the **2021-2022 Staffing Approvals** as presented. Mike Robison seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous, and the motion passes.

**Budget Transfer of funds between functions per LCB R026-09 section 35-4B:** No action required.

**Public Hearing for the FY22 Preliminary Budget:** Abbe Mattson discusses why there are no changes to the budget that the board saw at the meeting in April, 2021. Mike Robison moves to approve for the **Public Hearing for the FY22 Preliminary Budget** as presented. Amy Runge seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous, and the motion passes.

**Disruption of School Operations Policy:** The board of trustees explain their thoughts and opinions on the disruptions policy as well as suggested alterations. Mike Robison moves to approve for the **Disruption of School Operations Policy** as amended. Rachael O'Leary seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous, and the motion passes.

**Superintendent Evaluation:** Michelle Alarie makes comments on the performance of Abbe Mattson's performance and explains that her performance was exemplary in the last year, including during the COVID-19 pandemic. Amy Runge moves to approve for the **Superintendent Evaluation** as presented. Rachael O'Leary seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous, and the motion passes.

**Superintendent Compensation:** The board explains Abbe's compensation for the upcoming school year and recommends a 5% increase. Mike Robison expresses concern over the rest of the staff and faculty only receiving 2% compensation for the year. Abbe answers questions about the compensation for staff and teachers. Amy Runge moves to approve for the **Superintendent Compensation** as presented. Rachael O'Leary seconds the motion. The vote is unanimous, and the motion passes.

## VI - PUBLIC COMMENTS II

**Public Comments II:** No comments are given.

## VII - ANNOUNCEMENTS/AGENDA PLANNING

**Announcements/Agenda Planning:** Michelle Alarie announces upcoming events.

## VIII - ADJOURNMENT

**Adjournment:** Mike Robison moves to adjourn the meeting. Amy Runge seconds the motion. Michelle Alarie calls for a vote. The vote is unanimous. The meeting is adjourned at 5:30 PM.