

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2020

6:00 – 7:30pm

Audio and Video: <https://masterycharter.zoom.us/j/96146512789>

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Roll Call:

MCHS: Bob Victor, Gerry Emery, Dee Dukes; Quorum: 3/3

MCS: Suzanne Biemiller, Hosea Harvey, Don Kimelman, Markida Ross, Judy Tschirgi, John Walsh, Kristina Wilkerson; Absent: Sulaiman Rahman; Quorum: 7/8

Meeting Start at 6:09pm

I. Action Resolutions

- *Resolution to accept Board meeting minutes from October 14, 2020.*
 - After board discussion R-201027-01a was adopted: Gerry Emery; Second: Dee Dukes; Motion passes with unanimous approval.
 - After board discussion R-201027-01b was adopted: Suzanne Biemiller; Second: Hosea Harvey; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

II. Finance

- *Resolution to authorize Scott Gordon, CEO, to accept any state or federal grant awards received from state granting agencies including, but not limited to, Pennsylvania Department of Education and Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, on behalf of Mastery Charter High School and Mastery Charter School Thomas Campus, Mastery Charter School Shoemaker Campus, Mastery Charter School Pickett Campus, Mastery Charter School Harranty Elementary, Mastery Charter School Mann Elementary, Mastery Charter School Smedley Elementary, Mastery Charter School Clymer Elementary, Mastery Charter School Gratz Campus, Mastery Charter School Hardy Williams Academy, Mastery Charter School Cleveland Elementary, Mastery Charter School Pastorius-Richardson Elementary, Frederick Douglass Mastery Charter School, Mastery Charter School John Wister Elementary, Mastery Prep Elementary Charter School.*
 - After board discussion R-201027-02a was adopted: Gerry Emery; Second: Dee Dukes; Motion passes with unanimous approval.
 - After board discussion R-201027-02b was adopted: Suzanne Biemiller; Second: Hosea Harvey; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

III. CEO Report (Scott Gordon)

- *Resolution to approve the school reopening plan as presented, allowing management the authority to make reasonable adjustments as necessary.*
 - After board discussion R-201027-03a was adopted: Gerry Emery; Second: Dee Dukes; Motion passes with unanimous approval.
 - After board discussion R-201027-03b was adopted: Suzanne Biemiller; Second: Hosea Harvey; Motion passes with unanimous approval.



Mastery Charter Schools

- *Resolution to approve COVID thresholds for in-person supports & instruction as presented and to authorize management to use their discretion in implementing the policy considering current trends and other pertinent information.*
 - After board discussion R-201027-04a was adopted: Gerry Emery; Second: Dee Dukes; Motion passes with unanimous approval.
 - After board discussion R-201027-4b was adopted: Suzanne Biemiller; Second: Hosea Harvey; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

Discussion:

- Board assented to giving staff the day off for Election Day (11/3), making exception to the precedent to date due to extraordinary voting circumstances.
- Management presented and board discussed the decision to suspend in-person supports due to Philadelphia's COVID case rate climbing above Mastery safety threshold.
- Management presented and board discussed COVID thresholds for in-person supports & instruction, as well as a revised reopening plan as had been previously requested.

IV.End

- No Public Comment
- Boards Adjourned at 7:19pm
- Future Meeting Topics: Graduate Profile, Staff Equity & Student Suspension Data Review