



Mastery Charter Schools

**Mastery Charter High School
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Thomas Campus
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Shoemaker Campus
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Pickett Campus
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Harrity Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Mann Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Smedley Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Clymer Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Gratz Campus
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Hardy Williams Academy
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Cleveland Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School Pastorius-Richardson Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Frederick Douglass Mastery Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Charter School John Wister Elementary
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Mastery Prep Elementary Charter School
Board of Trustees Meeting**



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

August 18, 2021

6:00 – 8:00p

Meeting Held Virtually Using Zoom

Roll Call:

MCHS: Davina Dukes, Michael Haugen; Absent Bob Victor; Quorum: 2/3

MCS: Suzanne Biemiller, Judith Tschirgi, Kristina Wilkerson, John Walsh, Sulaiman Rahman, Don Kimelman, Roy Wade, Markida Ross (joined 6:28);

Absent: Hosea Harvey, Gerry Emery; Quorum: 8/10

Meeting start at 6:05pm

I. Action Resolutions

- **Accept Board Meeting Minutes**

- ***R-210818-1a (MCHS)***

- ***Resolved***, to accept the minutes of the Board meeting of Mastery Charter High School from June 16, 2021 as presented.

- After board discussion 210818-1a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-1a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

- ***R-210818-1b (All Boards, No MCHS)***

- ***Resolved***, to accept the minutes of the Board meetings of Mastery Charter School Thomas Campus, Mastery Charter School Shoemaker Campus, Mastery Charter School Pickett Campus, Mastery Charter School Mann Elementary, Mastery Charter School Harrity Elementary, Mastery Charter School Smedley Elementary, Mastery Charter School Hardy Williams Academy, Mastery Charter School Gratz Campus, Mastery Charter School Clymer Elementary, Mastery Charter School Cleveland Elementary, Mastery Charter School Pastorius-Richardson Elementary, Frederick Douglass Mastery Charter School, Mastery Charter School John Wister Elementary, and Mastery Prep Elementary Charter School from June 16, 2021 as presented.

- After board discussion R-210616-1b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-1b: Kristina Wilkerson; Second: Suzanne Biemiller; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

- **Hiring, Separation, Transfer Approvals**

- ***R-210818-2a (MCHS)***

- ***Resolved***, to ratify Mastery Charter High School staff hired between June 5, 2021 and August 6, 2021, as presented.



- After board discussion 210818-2a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-2a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-2b (All Boards, No MCHS)

Resolved, to ratify Mastery Charter Schools staff hired between June 5, 2020 and August 6, 2021, as presented.

- After board discussion R-210616-2b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-2b: Judith Tschirgi; Second: Suzanne Biemiller; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-3a (MCHS)

Resolved, to ratify separations from Mastery Charter High School between June 5, 2021 and August 6, 2021, as presented.

- After board discussion 210818-3a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-3a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-3b (All Boards, No MCHS)

Resolved, to ratify separations from Mastery Charter Schools between June 5, 2021 and August 6, 2021, as presented.

- After board discussion R-210616-3b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-3b: Don Kimelman; Second: John Walsh; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-4a (MCHS)

Resolved, to ratify transfers to/from Mastery Charter High School between June 5, 2021 and August 6, 2021 as presented.

- After board discussion 210818-4a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-4a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-4b (All Boards, no MCHS)

Resolved, to ratify transfers within Mastery Charter Schools between June 5, 2021 and August 6, 2021 as presented.

- After board discussion R-210616-4b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-4b: Suzanne Biemiller; Second: Kristina Wilkerson; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

II.CEO Report (Scott Gordon)

Topics

- Summer school update
- School opening update



- COVID health and safety update
- School closure policy
- Staff vaccination policy

R-210818-6a (MCHS)

Resolved, that Scott Gordon as the agent of this board with the concurrence of the Chair of this Board is hereby authorized to take all necessary and proper measures respecting the implementation of CDC guidelines concerning in-person instruction, in order to secure the safety of the school's students and staff.

- After board discussion 210818-6a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-6a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-6b (All Boards, no MCHS)

Resolved, that Scott Gordon as the agent of this board with the concurrence of the Chair of this Board is hereby authorized to take all necessary and proper measures respecting the implementation of CDC guidelines concerning in-person instruction, in order to secure the safety of the school's students and staff.

- After board discussion R-210616-6b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-6b: Roy Wade; Second: Judith Tschirgi; Motion passes with unanimous approval.
- Additional Discussion:
 - CEO presented reasons why we are choosing to follow CDC guidance for closure/quarantining/contact tracing rather than that of PDPH.
 - Board Question – Is it clear that we can choose to follow CDC guidance? Response – Yes, we have discussed our plan with PDPH, and there are no negative consequences for this choice. This is guidance and not a requirement.
 - Board Question – Is it reasonable to have no mask breaks except lunch for young kids? Response – It is currently required in Philadelphia as well as strongly recommended by the CDC for safety.
 - CEO presented that we are looking into a staff vaccine mandate at some point in the near future. The Board expressed general support and asked management to come back to present a specific plan at a later date.

III. Compliance(Michael Patron)

5 minutes

R-210818-5a (MCHS)

Resolved, to adopt the ARP ESSER Health and Safety plan required for the grant submission as presented

- After board discussion 210818-5a was adopted: Motion to approve 210818-5a: Davina Dukes; Second: Michael Haugen; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

R-210818-5b (All Boards, no MCHS)



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Resolved, to adopt the ARP ESSER Health and Safety plan required for the grant submission as presented.

- After board discussion R-210616-5b was adopted: Motion to approve R-210616-5b: John Walsh; Second: Suzanne Biemiller; Motion passes with unanimous approval.

IV. End

1. No public comment
2. Boards adjourned at 7:00pm