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ALBANY LEADERSHIP
CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Albany Leadership Charter High School

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time

Monday September 27, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Trustees Present

A. Harrison, E. Harris, E. Robertson, J. Celestine, S. Bowles

Trustees Absent

E. Bowman, M. Moree

Guests Present

C. Cook, R. Smith

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

E. Robertson called a meeting of the board of trustees of Albany Leadership Charter High School to order on Monday Sep 27, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

C. Approve July Board Meeting Minutes

S. Bowles made a motion to approve the minutes from Monthly Board Meeting on 07-26-21.

J. Celestine seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Accountability Committee Report

A. Principal's Report

t We reviewed the enrollment report. We have reached the charter enrollment of 350 students. They are still adding students each day. Congratulations are in

order to the team. 51 new 6th grade students and 88 new 9th graders (both above charter). All are acclimating to the new environment.

Internal and external events are still being explored and attended throughout the fall. Ms. Serrano is leading this effort.

Ms. Orcutt showed us the Development/Fundraising efforts and has reached out to many organizations. Ms. Bowman suggested that we have a list of activities (events, projects, etc) in case we have organizations who want to donate for a specific purpose. Ms. Orcutt will research this.

Summer School ended and the leadership team showed us a report. Anyone who did not pass/show up is now enrolled in the courses this school year.

Teacher retention is still strong. Some have relocated and positions are being filled. there is difficulty finding teachers for some positions due to the teacher shortage,

Accountability-POP#1 ends in October so we will have more information during the October meeting.

We met Dale Getto the new Director of Curriculum and Instruction.

B. Surveys updates

III. Finance

A. Finance Committee Report Out

B. August 2021 Financial Dashboard

Please note on the financial dashboard: it reflects August numbers. Billing cycles for tuition are such that revenue is not "off" as might appear on the dashboard.

C. Update on modular classrooms

- Modular classrooms for 6th grade: Optimistically we hope to have these functioning by mid-October. Some of the delay also got wrapped into larger issues playing out in the City of Albany where it appears the City purposefully tanked a quorum at a Planning Board meeting because it didn't have the votes for whatever action it wished to take on Café Hollywood. Our engineers, however, misrepresented the completeness of our applications, with some standard information lacking which served to delay things further. Other Code information which should have been known to them was not – and that also served to both delay and increase costs for getting the classrooms approved and functioning. Next year: The Board needs to make decisions on how to address next year from a space and academy perspective. An additional modular classroom has been ordered because we anticipate that no matter what choice we pursue, construction and permitting delays may push this into late 2022. Primary options re to re-engage with the Albany School of Pharmacy to acquire the building at the rear of our building, or to add a 3rd floor and reconfigure space in ALH currently. Mr. Smith can provide further details; he did refresh a document he had prepared earlier this year for a small subgroup of the Board who was looking at various real estate options to evaluate. Mr. Smith advises

not much has come onto the market which will provide meaningful options to accommodate a wholesale move of ALH to a new location, or sufficient space worth the investment for a grade 6-8 presence.

IV. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
E. Robertson

Documents used during the meeting

None