



**June Meeting Minutes for the
Board of Trustees of DC Scholars Public Charter School (DCSPCS)**

Wednesday, June 16, 2021

4:30 – 6:45 pm via Zoom

<https://dcscholars-org.zoom.us/j/99704275318?pwd=QURGc0VCd2F1VTJsNTYvZ2NBT2kwUT09>

Board Members Present: Bob Weinberg, Evan Piekara, Robert Patterson, Jackie Lendsey, Crystal Williams, Erica Jackson, Janelle Suggs (4:36 PM), Tiffianne Hudnall (5:00 PM).

Board Members Absent: Andrew Ellenbogen, Maegan Marcano, Porchia Nixon.

DC Scholars Staff Present: Business Manager Emily Stone, Interim Head of School Nicole Bryan.

Other: Vickie Ho, Finance Specialist at EdOps.

- I. Welcome and Agenda Review
 - a. Mr. Weinberg called the meeting to order at 4:34 pm after taking roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.
- II. Chair Updates
 - a. Mr. Weinberg made announcements pertaining to the DC PCSB Performance Management Framework and OSSE Continuous Education Plan.
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. May 27, 2021 Minutes

Ms. Lendsey made a motion to approve the May 27, 2021 Minutes. Mr. Piekara seconded. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
- IV. Governance Committee Report
 - a. Resolution of the Board Officer Succession Planning and Election Process
 - i. At the recommendation of the Governance Committee, and after discussion, Mr. Patterson moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Lendsey seconded. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved. The Resolution is attached and incorporated to these Minutes.
 - b. SY21-22 Board Meeting Calendar
 - i. At the recommendation of the Governance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Lendsey moved to approve the SY21-22 Board Meeting Calendar. Mr. Patterson seconded. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.



- c. SY21-22 School Documents
 - i. SY21-22 School Calendar
 - 1. At the recommendation of the Governance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Jackson moved to approve the SY21-22 School Calendar. Mr. Piekara seconded. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
 - ii. SY21-22 Scholar & Family Handbook (excerpt)
 - 1. At the recommendation of the Governance Committee, and after discussion, Mr. Piekara moved to approve the SY21-22 Scholar & Family Handbook policies (excerpt). Ms. Lendsey seconded. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.

- V. Academics Committee Report
 - a. Ms. Jackson provided an oral report on the Academic attendance data.
- VI. Interim Head of School's Report
 - a. Ms. Bryan provided an oral report related to the SY21-22 Talent & Hiring, COVID impacts and implications, Preparing to Close Out SY20-21, and SY21-22 Strategic Planning, including challenges.
 - b. Ms. Bryan responded to questions from the Board.

Interim Head of School Nicole Bryan was recused from the Board meeting.

- VII. Finance Committee Report
 - a. April 2021 Close Financials
 - i. Mr. Piekara provided an oral update and discussed the school's financials provided in the packet.
 - b. Approval of Contracts
 - i. Growth MindED Consulting, Nicole Bryan Contract Amendment
 - 1. Mr. Piekara and Mr. Weinberg explained the reasons for the amendment to Nicole Bryan's contract.
 - 2. **Conflict of Interest Disclosure**
 - a. Mr. Weinberg outlined that the rate billed by Nicole Bryan will remain the same for the Amendment B as Amendment A and the original agreement. DC Scholars conducted a Sole Source notice for the original contract, which was awarded in June 2020.
 - b. Mr. Weinberg disclosed that Nicole Bryan is serving as the Interim Head of School of DC Scholars PCS during the absence of the Head of School, due to maternity leave, and has served as Interim Head of School in SY18-19 and SY19-20. She is a conflicting interest party.
 - c. The Board acknowledged and waived the Conflict of Interest to proceed with this contract.



3. At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Lendsey moved to approve the contract amendment. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
- ii. Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL) Amendment
 1. At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and after discussion, Mr. Piekara made a motion to approve the JLL contract amendment. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
 - iii. Trafera
 1. At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Jackson made a motion to approve the Trafera quote. Mr. Piekara seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
 - iv. Securemedy Incorporated
 1. Security Guards – At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Lendsey made a motion to approve the Securemedy Inc. contract for Security Guards. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.
 2. Special Police Officer - At the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and after discussion, Ms. Jackson made a motion to approve the Securemedy Inc. contract for a Special Police Officer. Mr. Piekara seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved.

VIII. Closing

- a. Mr. Weinberg thanked the Board members for their participation.
- b. Mr. Weinberg made a motion to close the meeting. Mr. Piekara seconded the motion. Mr. Weinberg conducted a rollcall vote. The motion was approved, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 pm.

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