Board of Governors Meeting Executive Meeting

Washington Latin Public Charter School 800 N. Glebe Rd. Arlington, VA Thursday, December 1, 2016 6:00pm

Governors Present: M. Cave (phone); K. Cole; C. Culver (late); R. Dalal; J. Davis; M. Demeke; A. Economou; T. Morgan; H. Rawlings; C. Wilkinson

Absent: R. Greiff; A. Lovett; P. Mara; T. Tuck

Guest: Kearney Shanahan, Principal, Shanahan Law Firm

- 1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Davis called the meeting to order at 6:20pm.
- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Ms. Economou presented minutes from the general board meetings on October 6, 2016. Minutes were approved unanimously after a motion made by Mr. Morgan and seconded by Ms. Cole.
- 3. Head of School Report: Mr. Davis presented Mr. Anderson's Head of School Report, highlighting the DCSAA Championships, the College Fair, and the SRA Funding litigation. He also relayed Mr. Anderson's invitation for board members to attend Latin in Action days, whereby they can attend classes and meet with teachers and students. Mr. Davis also circulated and reviewed the most recent student demographics dashboard.
- 4. **Board Chair Report:** Mr. Davis began by sharing his general sense of satisfaction and optimism about the board's accomplishments thus far. He outlined achievements to date and then outlined priorities for the remainder of the year. When conversation centered on the SRA Funding litigation, Mr. Wilkinson offered to act as a liaison given his legal expertise, and board members thanked him for his participation.
- 5. Governance Committee: In Mr. Mara's absence, Mr. Davis provided a comprehensive overview of numerous pending governance issues, including the current board profile, recruitment needs, officer succession planning, and updating of bylaws. Mr. Shanahan shared his observations of how other charter schools were proceeding on these fronts and encouraged further cultivation within the community and council. Finally, Mr. Davis made a motion to appoint Ms. Cole as secretary, Ms. Economou seconded it, and it passed unanimously.

- **6.** <u>Head of School Evaluation Plan</u>: Ms. Demeke and Ms. Cole presented their suggestions for a refined Head of School Evaluation framework. They sought feedback from board colleagues and entertained questions.
- **7. Final Words from Dr. Rawlings**: Mr. Davis asked Dr. Rawlings to speak on the effect of the election on educational communities, and Dr. Rawlings shared his perspective based on his observations of the student body at Cornell and conversations with professional colleagues around the country.
- 8. **Motion to adjourn:** Mr. Davis thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the meeting at 8:05pm.