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**Washington Latin Public Charter School  
Board of Governors  
Minutes of Meeting Held -- Thursday, September 20th, 2018  
5200 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Washington D.C. 20011  
6:15pm**

**Governors Present:** A. Lovett; M. Demeke; P. Mara; A. Graham; C. Wilkinson; K. Cole (phone); H. Rawlings; R. Dalal; C. Culver (phone); A. Economou

**Absent:** R. Greiff; T. Morgan; L. Ballenger

**Head of School:** Peter Anderson

**Guests:**

Diana Smith, WLPCS Principal

Kate Cromwell, WLPCS Director of Development and Communications

Geovanna Izurieta, WLPCS Director of Finance

Barry Caldwell, Prospective Board member

1. **Call to Order:** Ms. Lovett called the meeting to order at 6:24 p.m.
2. **Board President Welcome and Opening Remarks:**
  - i. **Prospective Board Member:** Ms. Lovett introduced prospective board member Barry Caldwell.
  - ii. **Board Goals:** Ms. Lovett presented the draft Board Goals (Board Supporting Paper 1) developed by the Executive Committee, which are intended to be guideposts for the remainder of the school year and inform committee goals.
    - a. **DECISION 18-09-01:** Mr. Rawlings moved to accept the Board Goals as presented. Mr. Mara seconded the motion. The Goals were unanimously approved.
  - iii. **Board Committee Composition:** Ms. Lovett presented a matrix of the current committees and Board Member assignments (Board Supporting Paper 2).
    - a. **DECISION 18-09-02:** Ms. Graham moved to approve the Committee matrix. Ms. Economou seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
  - iv. **Committee Process:** The president reviewed the committee process to be implemented for the SY18-19.
    - a. **ACTION ITEM 18-09-01:** Committees should take minutes of committee meetings, specifically noting action items. These minutes should be provided to the Executive Committee for review and will be shared at following Board meetings.
  - v. **Board Roster and Member Bios:** The president presented the current Board roster (Board Supporting Paper 3) and Board bios (Board Supporting Paper 4).

- a. **ACTION ITEM 18-09-02:** Each member of the Board is asked to review and revise the roster as necessary and return any revisions to Mr. Anderson.
  - b. **ACTION ITEM 18-09-03:** Each Board member is asked to review his or her biography and submit any necessary corrections to Ms. Cromwell by September 30, 2018.
  
- 3. **Growth Committee:** Ms. Graham provided the Board with an update regarding the projected timeline for completion of Growth objectives (Board Supporting Paper 5) and necessary approvals. She also offered sample elevator speeches (Board Supporting Paper 6) so that Board members can respond to any inquiries regarding Growth initiatives. Additionally, she explained that she will oversee the implementation and communications subcommittees while Mr. Mara will oversee managing the project partner and the facilities search.
  - a. **ACTION ITEM 18-09-04:** The Committee will vote to approve the project partner (Board Supporting Paper 7) in October and present to the full Board at the November Board retreat.
  
- 4. **Academic Committee:** Ms. Economou reviewed the School's most recent PARCC results and addressed related challenges and goals. She proposed an amendment to the School's charter to include high school graduation requirements (Board Supporting Paper 8), per the DC Public Charter School Board's revised policy.
  - a. **DECISION 18-09-03:** Ms. Economou, on behalf of the Committee moved to accept an amendment to the school's charter with updated high school graduation requirements, which was seconded by Mr. Rawlings. The amendment was unanimously accepted and will be forwarded to DCPCSB.
  
- 5. **Governance Committee:** Mr. Wilkinson introduced prospective Board candidate Barry Caldwell (Board Supporting Paper 11) and invited Mr. Caldwell to introduce himself to the Board. Following a brief conversation, Mr. Caldwell left the meeting.
  - a. **DECISION 18-10-04:** Mr. Wilkinson moved to invite Mr. Caldwell to become a Governor of the WLPCS Board, which was seconded by Ms. Economou.

Mr. Caldwell rejoined the meeting following the vote.
  
- 6. **Head of School Report:** Mr. Anderson provided an overview of his Head of School Report (Board Supporting Paper 12), including unfortunate news regarding the death of a former WLPCS student. Additionally, he addressed various concerns related to the DC public charter school landscape.
  
- 7. **Consent Agenda:** Ms. Lovett presented the minutes for the August 16, 2018 (Board Supporting Paper 13) for Board approval and moved that they be accepted as written.
  - a. **DECISION 18-10-05:** The Board unanimously approved the minutes from the August 16, 2018 meeting.
  
- 8. **Junior Board:** Ms. Demeke presented a proposal for a Junior Board for group discussion. The Board requested more information about the proposal for the next meeting.

9. **Adjournment:** Ms. Lovett thanked everyone for their attendance and adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.