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Board of Governors Annual Meeting Washington Latin Public Charter School Via UberConference.com Thursday, June 18, 2020 5:45PM

Governors Present: C. Wilkinson, R. Dalal, T. Morgan, A.E Lovett, B. Caldwell, C. McGurn, H. Rawlings, L. Ballenger, A. Graham, P. Mara, K. Merritt, C. Culver, K. Osagie, and L. Rucker

Head of School: Peter T. Anderson

<u>Guests</u>:

- Diana Smith, WLPCS Principal
- Kate Cromwell, WLPCS Director of Development and Communication
- Yinnie Tse, WLPCS Director of Finance
- Caroline Gifford, WLPCS Curriculum Specialist
- James Kelly, WLPCS Director of Middle School
- Crys Latham, WLPCS Director of College Counseling
- Eman Abdur-Rahman, Business Office Associate/Executive Assistant to Head of School
- Tom Porter, Facilities Consultant
 - 1. <u>**Call to Order**</u>: Mr. Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 5:45 PM. Mr. Wilkinson recognized and thanked the staff for their hard work wrapping up the school year.
 - 2. <u>Academic Excellence:</u> Ms. Latham presented a report on post-secondary options for students in the Class of 2020. She highlighted the accomplishments of the class, including new colleges and universities enrolling Latin students, SAT and ACT scores and merit scholarships awarded. Ms. Latham engaged with members answering questions about the national post-secondary school landscape and the outlook for college next year given the pandemic.
 - 3. <u>Head of School Report</u>: Mr. Anderson congratulated Ms. Latham on her recent appearance on NPR. He provided various personnel updates. And he praised the efforts of the administration and staff in facilitating an outdoor, socially-distant high school graduation.
 - <u>Consent Agenda</u>: There were no questions about the June consent agenda, which included minutes of Board of Governors meetings held on April 30th, 2020 and May 28th, 2020.

DECISION 20-06-01: The Board approved the consent agenda.

5. <u>Governance Committee</u>: Ms. Graham provided the Board with an update regarding Board prospects. She shared that the Governance Committee is continuing their search and encouraged all Governors to tap their own networks for prospects. 6. <u>Finance Committee</u>: Mr. Morgan presented the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget for the board to review and approve. He highlighted the school's strong position as a result of savings from refinancing.

DECISION 20-06-02: The Board approved the FY 20-21 budget

Ms. Tse briefly reviewed the April actuals.

7. <u>World Language Waivers</u>: Ms. Smith reported that the Academic Committee had approved world language waivers for two students.

DECISION 20-06-03: The Board voted to endorse the actions taken by the academic committee

- 8. **Reopening:** Mr. Anderson discussed citywide efforts to reopen schools this fall. He reported on a survey that will be going out citywide and conversations he is having with thought-partners from other schools. He noted that the administration is working hard to come up with various solutions and will come back to the Board with updates.
- **9. <u>Growth Discussion:</u>** Mr. Anderson engaged the members and Latin staff in conversation regarding growth, focusing on facilities and leadership.

The Board asked for the opinion for other Latin staff on the feasibility of growth. The Board also requested a final recommendation from management to be presented at the next board meeting.

10. **Farewell:** Mr. Anderson announced this will be the last meeting for Ms. Culver and the last meeting as a voting board member for Lovett. He and other members shared words of appreciation about both Governors whose terms have expired.

Mr. Wilkinson adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.