



2/21/19

ReNEW Board Meeting -- Minutes

I. Opening Items

Stephen Rosenthal called meeting to order at 5:39 PM.

Randy Roig moved to approve 12/13/18 meeting minutes. K. Edmundson seconded. Members voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

Board members present: S. Rosenthal, K. Edmundson, R. Roig, B. Weimer, N. Hardie, R. Kennedy, C. El-Dahr, M. Landry

Board members not present: P. Parquet, S. Castellanos, K. Conklin

Guests present: K. Saloy, N. Veal, T. Robicheaux, S. Satchfield, T. Bryant, E. Waterfield, L. Giarratano, T. Pickett

II. Authorization to sign Charter Renewal Contracts with OPSB

A. Motion authorizing Board Chair to sign charter renewal contract for ReNEW Accelerated High School

Mr. Rosenthal explained the motion is to authorize the signing of the renewal contract. Kathleen Edmundson moved to approve the motion. Riley Kennedy seconded. Members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

B. Motion authorizing Board Chair to sign charter renewal contract for ReNEW Dolores T. Aaron Academy

Mr. Rosenthal explained the motion is to authorize the signing of the renewal contract. Kathleen Edmundson moved to approve the motion. Riley Kennedy seconded. Members voted unanimously to approve the motion.

III. Motion authorizing the CEO or Chief of Staff to sign proposals and contracts on behalf of ReNEW

Ms. Edmundson moved to approve the motion. Mr. Roig seconded. Member voted unanimously to approve the motion.

IV. Academic Excellence Committee Report

Emily Waterfield, ReNEW's Chief of Student Support Services, discussed growth rates in the network's corrective reading program. Lisa Giarratano, ReNEW's Chief Academic Officer, discussed school performance stats for the network's Benchmark 2 testing round.

V. Finance Committee Report

C.J. El-Dahr discussed the network's current budget status. Mr. El-Dahr explained the network is seeing progress in terms of its budget deficit. Kael Saloy, ReNEW's Financial Controller, also discussed results of the network's recent audit.

VI. CEO Report

ReNEW CEO Tanya Bryant discussed results of the network's Insight survey. In light of the survey results, Ms. Bryant also discussed the network's goals for the 19-20 school year, which include a focus on student and teacher retention. Ms. Bryant referred to a recent hiring fair, part of the effort to attract strong teachers, which was well attended.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Closing Items

With no further business to discuss, N. Hardie moved to adjourn. R. Roig seconded. Members voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted, S. Satchfield.