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Explore Charter Schools Board Meeting Minutes –October 27th, 2021

Explore Charter Schools Board Attendees: Hank Mannix, Angie Brice Thomas, Shawn Jenkins, Reshma Patel, Lola Adedokun, Lindsay Matovich, Lindsay Danon, Kevin Bryant, Tiffany Curtis, Nekeisha Afful

ESI Board: Jana Reed, Brian Coad

Other Attendees: Carrie Mauer, Christina Froeb, Jeremy Thomas, Rachel Modica-Russell, Tracy Rebe, Maureen Ferry

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

ECS Approval of Minutes

Hank Mannix motioned to approve the minutes from the ECS Board Meeting held on September 21st, 2021

Lindsay Danon seconded the motion

The motion was unanimously approved

State of Talent

Rachel Modica-Russell, Managing Director of Talent, shared an overview of talent across our schools. The overview included updated retention and attrition data as well as a look at current vacancies across our schools and the strategies we are employing to address current and future vacancies. The board discussed how the data has been impacted by COVID-19 and the transition back to in-person learning and what that could mean for how the rest of the year will look.

ED/Superintendent Update

The update began with a look at Term 1 data. Christina Froeb, Superintendent, updated the board on progress made against the end of year measures. This included recent academic data, attendance data, suspension data, and enrollment data. Carrie Mauer, Executive Director, provided the board with an update on recent developments related to COVID-19, including shifts to the DOE's quarantine policy. The board discussed the correlation between vacancies and the recent academic data.

Public Comment

This time is to open the floor for public comment (pertains to Explore Schools Board rules of public meeting).

Maureen Ferry, principal at Exceed Upper, shared vaccine data from her school pertaining to efforts to encourage vaccination among students. At the beginning of the year, Exceed Upper had around 4% of students vaccinated, now it has risen to 35%.

Public comment ended at 7:03 pm

Executive Session

ECS Executive Session to discuss the medical, financial, credit, or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Hank Mannix motion to go into executive session at 7:03 pm and invited ESI board members to join

Shawn Jenkins seconded the motion

The motion was unanimously approved

Hank Mannix motioned for the ECS board to come out of executive session at 8:05 pm.

Lindsay Matovich seconded the motion.

The motion was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm