



Explore Charter Schools Board Meeting Minutes – April 25, 2023

Explore Charter Schools Board Attendees: Hank Mannix, Angie Brice Thomas, Karen Annette Francois

Attended Virtually: Kevin Bryant, Tiffany Curtis, Lindsay Danon

Absent: Shawn Jenkins, Sherrard Zamore

ESI Board Attendees: Reshma Patel, Morty Ballen

Attended Virtually: Brian Coad, Jana Reed

Absent: Lindsay Matovich

Other Attendees: Jeremy Thomas, Ebony Staley, Tracy Rebe, Ashley Dickens, Carrie Mauer, Sherquana Charles

Meeting called to order at 6:03

Welcome & Approval of Minutes

Hank Mannix motioned to approve the minutes from the ECSB Board Meeting held on March 14, 2023

Angie Brice Thomas seconded the motion

The motion was unanimously approved

Hank Mannix motioned to approve the 2023 – 2024 District Safety Plan

Angie Brice Thomas seconded the motion

The motion was unanimously approved

Board Subcommittee Updates

Jeremy Thomas, Senior Director of Special Projects, reviewed the upcoming board school visit agenda and expectations.

CEO Update

Karen Annette Francois, CEO, updated the board on recent math interim assessment data previewed with the accountability subcommittee ahead of the state math exams on May 2nd and 3rd. The Board discussed the key actions the network took throughout the year and the adjustments made to improve mathematics instruction in response to interim assessment data from earlier in the year. The Board also discussed additional ways to review the data, including looking at cohort data. In addition, Karen Annette shared reflections from the ELA state exam, updated the board on how the network's 8th graders did with the high school placement process, and shared enrollment data coming out of the lottery season. The Board discussed enrollment trends and asked what marketing efforts are yielding more applications.

FY 24 Budget Preview

Ashley Dickens, Managing Director of Finance, provided the Board with an FY24 budget preview. The preview included the priorities and key assumptions used to build next year's budget.

Public Comment

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

No public comment at 6:51

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 motioned to go into executive session at 6:51 pm and invited ESI board members, Carrie Mauer, and Tracy Rebe to join

Angie Brice Thomas seconded the motion
The motion was unanimously approved

Hank Mannix motioned for the ECS board to come out of executive session at 8:30 pm.
Angie Brice Thomas seconded the motion.
The motion was unanimously approved.