

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF
NORTHSTAR ACADEMIES, INC.
November 16, 2021**

A meeting of the Governing Board of NorthStar Academies, Inc. was held on Tuesday, November, 16, 2021 at 4:30 PM. This Meeting was held at Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy, located at 3525 S Congress Ave, Palm Springs, FL 33461.

The following Governing Board Members were present via Zoom video conference: Board Chairman Mr. Leonard Posey, Ira Paul, and Ms. Beth Adelman.

Also present via Zoom video conference were Thom Jackson, President & Chief Executive Officer, EdisonLearning; Dr. Eunice Casey, Director of School Leadership & Support Services, EdisonLearning; Mendi Riggins, Sr. Executive Assistant, EdisonLearning; Michelle Schmitt, Senior Controller, EdisonLearning; Jennifer Anglin, Director of Career & Technical Education/Grants, EdisonLearning; Karrie Dunn, Vice President of Human Resources, EdisonLearning; Noya Hastings-Ritchie, Talent and Culture Specialist, EdisonLearning; Susan DeAngelo, Talent Acquisition Specialist, EdisonLearning; Jeff Wood, Tripp Scott, LLP; Ralph Arza, Principal, Arza and Associates; Dionne Stone, Principal, NorthStar Academy of Pinellas; Dr. Sharard Walker, Principal, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy; Dwayne Stewart, Principal, Main Street High School; Daniel Walke, Principal, Chambers High School; Marie Curtis, Principal, Sunrise High School; Kerry-Ann Brammer, Principal, Andrews High School; and Lee Phillips, Consultant.

The meeting was called to order at 4:46 p.m.

A quorum was present.

There was no public input.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Leonard Posey, the Board Chairman. Ms. Mendi Riggins recorded the Minutes. Ms. Riggins conducted a roll call. The Chairman noted that Mr. Ira Paul and Ms. Beth Adelman were present.

On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Ms. Adelman, the Board unanimously approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- Board Meeting Minutes for October 18, 2021
- Ratification of interim actions by the Board Chairman

On a motion by Ms. Adelman and a second by Mr. Paul, the Board unanimously agreed to ratify the following actions by the Board Chairman which were required to be performed prior to the extant Board meeting:

C. G. Bethel High School Documents:

- MDCPS Charter School Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Plan (updated form)

Chambers High School Documents:

- MDCPS Charter School Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Plan (updated form)

Main Street High School Documents:

- Out of Field Letter to Parents
- Amended & Restated Management Agreement
- License Agreement

Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy Documents:

- Compliance Confirmation Letter
- Request for FY22 Title I Reimbursement #1

The Governing Board Members, provided insight as to their experience at the Florida Charter School Conference. Overall, the Board members felt that this was an informative session with great networking opportunities. Mr. Posey mentioned that he felt that conference was light with respect to events or items related to governance and Board members.

Mr. Ralph Arza provided legislative update. No vote was required.

Dr. Walker provided an update with respect to the Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy renewal. The school passed the visit with a ninety percent rating, missing only one out of the fourteen areas. Dr. Walker and his team will work directly with the District to correct the area of concern. Dr. Casey and Dr. Walker will work on the proposal to identify the terms of the renewal, as they are requesting a ten year renewal term. Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy will have its official review before the Palm Beach School District's Board in February.

Each of the Principals provided the Board with an update on their school and highlighted all of the exciting news happening at the school. The Principals reported on current school enrollment and upcoming school activities. Dr. Casey reported on behalf of Mr. Madrigal.

Mr. Lee Phillips provided the Board with an update on the Professional Development and the efforts by Dr. Casey and himself to evaluate and train the Principals and their instructional teams on the EdisonLearning Achievement Framework™.

Ms. Karrie Dunn provided the Board with a personnel report with some terminations, resignations and new hires at some of our schools.

Ms. Michelle Schmitt presented the Board with a review of the financials and updates for the following schools:

1. Andrews High School
2. Chambers High School
3. C.G. Bethel High School
4. Main Street High School
5. NorthStar Academy of Pinellas
6. Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy
7. Sunrise High School

On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Ms. Adelman, the Board unanimously voted to approve the financials for each of the above schools as presented.

With no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43pm on a motion by Ms. Adelman and seconded by Mr. Paul.

By: *Leonard D Posey*
Leonard D Posey (Dec 19, 2021 11:24 EST)

Title: Governing Board Chairman