MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTHSTAR ACADEMIES, INC. June 10, 2023

A strategy meeting of the Governing Board of NorthStar Academies, Inc. was held on Saturday, June 10, 2023, at 10:00 AM. This Meeting was held at the office EdisonLearning, Inc., 1 East Broward Blvd., Ste. 1599, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

The following Governing Board Members appeared in person: Board Chairman, Mr. Leonard Posey, Ms. Beth Adelman, Mr. Ira Paul, Mr. Douglas Shelton, Mr. Robert Holland, and Mr. Martin Burkett.

The following guests appeared in person: Thom Jackson, President and Chief Executive Officer, EdisonLearning; Mendi Riggins, Sr. Executive Assistant, EdisonLearning; Dr. Eunice Casey, Director of School Leadership, EdisonLearning; Mrs. Jennifer Anglin, Director of Career & Technical Education; Mr. Ralph Arza, Arza and Associates; Dr. Sharard Walker, Principal, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy.

The following guests appeared *via* Zoom: Mr. Tarry Mays, Attendance & Welfare Coordinator, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy; Thomas Sternberg, Legal Counsel, Trip Scott.

The meeting was called to order at 10:16 a.m. The meeting was chaired by Board Chairman, Mr. Leonard Posey. Ms. Mendi Riggins recorded the Minutes and conducted a roll call. Mr. Leonard Posey noted that Ms. Beth Adelman, Mr. Ira Paul, Mr. Robert Holland, Mr. Martin Burkett, and Mr. Doug Shelton were present.

A quorum was present.

There were no requests for public comment.

Formal introductions were conducted.

Mr. Jackson provided the Board with an overview of EdisonLearning and NorthStar Academies. He provided them with the history and successes of both organizations.

Mr. Sternberg presented the Board with the legal framework of NorthStar Academies. In his review of the framework, Mr. Sternberg addressed the following:

- important factors in fulfilling board member responsibilities
- identified key areas of knowledge required by all board members
- building confidence in performing board member duties
- what you should know about your organization as a board member
- best practices for board members

Dr. Casey presented the Board with an overview of "Where are we now: Organizational, Operational, & Achievement Review". In her presentation, Dr Casey addressed the following:

- FY23 Goals
- School Ratings
- School Operational Structure
- SY22-23 Achievements

Mr. Arza presented the Board with an overview of what the new funding paradigm would look like.

Dr. Casey presented the Board with an overview of the Statewide Voucher Opportunities, addressing the following:

- Private school options
- Voucher Opportunities
- Virtual Options

Mrs. Anglin presented the Board with a history and overview of the CTE Expansion Program. In her presentation, Mrs. Anglin discussed the success of the current Barbering, Nursing Assistant, Nail Specialty and Facial Specialty programs. In addition to the current CTE programs, Mrs. Angling also proposed the following as possible future CTE programs and how they would benefit the students of NorthStar Academies.

- Architecture & Construction
- Human Services
- Health Science

Dr. Walker presented the Board with an overview of the Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy Expansion. His presentation was reflective of the following areas:

- PBPCA's current impact
- PBPCA's expansion at current site
- NorthStar Academy Palm Beach
- PBPCA satellite location

The Board was not required to vote on any of the agenda items presented.

Mr. Posey provided closing remarks and thanked everyone for their service.

With no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned at 2:07pm on a motion by Mr. Paul and seconded by Ms. Adelman.

By: Beth Adelman

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Title: Governing Board Chairman