# MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTHSTAR ACADEMIES, INC. January 23, 2024

A meeting of the Governing Board of NorthStar Academies, Inc. was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 4:30 PM. This Meeting was held at Main Street High School, located at -1100 N Main St, Kissimmee, FL 34744.

The following Governing Board Members were present via Zoom video conference: Chairperson, Ms. Beth Adelman, Mr. Ira Paul, Mr. Douglas Shelton, and Mr. Martin Burkett.

The following guests also were present *via* Zoom video conference: Thom Jackson, President & CEO, EdisonLearning; Dr. Eunice Casey, Vice President of Operations, EdisonLearning; Mendi Riggins, Sr. Executive Assistant, EdisonLearning; Susan DeAngelo, Talent Acquisition Specialist, EdisonLearning; Thomas Sternberg, Tripp Scott, LLP; Luis Sullivan, Arza and Associates; Dr. Sharard Walker, Principal, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy; Charmayne Joseph, Principal, Sunrise High School; Kerry Ann Brammer, Principal, Sunrise High School; Daniel Walke, Principal, Chambers High School; Dwayne Stewart, Principal, Main Street High School; Michelle Schmitt, Senior Controller, EdisonLearning; Amy Arrington, Osceola School District.

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. The meeting was chaired by Board Chairperson, Ms. Beth Adelman. Ms. Mendi Riggins recorded the Minutes and conducted a roll call. Ms. Adelman noted that Mr. Ira Paul, Mr. Robert Holland, and Mr. Doug Shelton were present. Mr. Martin Burkett joined the meeting at 4:52pm.

A quorum was present.

There were no requests for public comment.

On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Mr. Shelton, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- Board Meeting Minutes dated November 21, 2023, with the suggestion of correcting the name of the principal for Sunrise High School in paragraph three
- Ratification of interim actions by the Board Chairman

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

#### **NorthStar Academies**

• NorthStar Academies Combined Engagement Letter

#### **CG Bethel High School**

- Attachment B Participation Survey: School Mapping Data Grant Program
- SSI Grant: FDOE Grant Application Form 100a

- 23-24 SY Charter School Safe School Officer Attestation Form
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- Attachment C: 22-23 Referendum Funds Charter School Projected Allocation and Disbursement

## **Chambers High School**

- Attachment B Participation Survey: School Mapping Data Grant Program
- SSI Grant: FDOE Grant Application Form 100a
- Out of Field Waivers
  - Charkina Hutchinson

## Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy

- 2023-2024 Supplemental School Improvement Grant Assurance
- FY22 School Hardening Grant CS Unused Allocations
- FY24 School Hardening Grant Election to Participate
- Retro Referendum Settlement Agreement
- General Lease Agreement
- First Amendment to Lease

### **Sunrise High School**

Safe School Officer Attestation Form

Mr. Jackson provided the Board with an overview of the Palm Beach Lease Renewal Option that matches the Charter. On a motion by Mr. Shelton and a second by Mr. Paul, the Board unanimously agreed to ratify the decision of the Chair to sign and enter the lease extension based on these terms.

Ms. Schmitt provided the Board with a review of the financial reports and updates for the following schools:

- 1 . Andrews High School
- 2. CG Bethel High School
- 3. Chambers High School
- 4. Main Street High School
- 5. Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy
- 6. Sunrise High School

A complete copy of the financial reports for each school was included in the Board packet, which was distributed for the Board's review prior to the meeting. On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Mr. Shelton, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the financial reports as presented for each of the above schools.

Dr. Casey provided the Board with an overview of the success of Sunrise High School under the leadership of interim principal, Ms. Charmayne Joseph. Dr. Casey recommended that Ms. Joseph be appointed as principal. On a motion by Mr. Shelton and a second by Mr. Paul, the Board unanimously agreed to the appointment of Ms. Charmayne Joseph as principal of Sunrise High School.

Dr. Casey and Dr. Walker provided the Board with a presentation of NorthStar Academies' Strategic Growth Plan. On a motion by Mr. Burkett, the Board unanimously agreed to accept the NorthStar Academies' Strategic Grown Plan as presented.

Ms. DeAngelo provided the Board with the personnel report. No vote was required.

With no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Shelton and seconded by Mr. Paul.

By: Beth Adelman (Feb 23, 2024 10:00 EST)

Title: Governing Board Chairman