## MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTHSTAR ACADEMIES, INC. June 21, 2022

A meeting of the Governing Board of NorthStar Academies, Inc. was held on Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 5:00 PM. This Meeting was held at C.G. Bethel High School, located at 16150 NE 17th Ave, North Miami Beach, FL 33162.

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

Also present *via* Zoom video conference were Thom Jackson, President and Chief Executive Officer, EdisonLearning; Dr. Eunice Casey, Director of School Leadership & Support Services, EdisonLearning; Mendi Riggins, Sr. Executive Assistant, EdisonLearning; Susan DeAngelo, Talent Acquisition Specialist, EdisonLearning; Thomas Sternberg, Tripp Scott, LLP; Dr. Tony Arza, Arza and Associates; Luis Sullivan, Administrative Assistant, Arza and Associates; Dr. Sharard Walker, Principal, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy; Daniel Walke, Principal, Chambers High School; Alejandro Madrigal, Principal, C.G. Bethel High School; Marie Curtis, Principal, Sunrise High School, Kerry Ann Brammer, Principal, Andrews High School, Dwayne Stewart, Principal, Main Street High School; Michelle Schmitt, Senior Controller, EdisonLearning; and Ken Edwards, SVP, Chief Financial Officer, EdisonLearning.

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. The meeting was chaired by 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.

A quorum was present.

There was no public input.

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

- Board Meeting Minutes dated June 7, 2022
- Ratification of interim actions by the Board Chairman

On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Ms. Adelman, 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:

• Safety Plan

## Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy Documents:

• Reimbursement Request Letter

Mr. Jackson provided the Board with a status update regarding NorthStar Academy of Pinellas County's disengagement. It was reported that the District has been informed that NorthStar Academies will vacate the premises officially on June 30, 2022. The District has conducted a walkthrough and has signed off.

It was reported by the Board Chair, that there has been pressure from Micro Schools with regards to turning over the student data. Mr. Jackson reported that student data would not be provided as it would be a violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). Those files would go to the District, who would also need parent and/or student consent to turn over that data.

A legislative update was provided by Dr. Arza. No vote was required.

Each of the Principals provided the Board with an update on their school and highlighted all of the successes and graduation rates for their respective school.

Dr. Casey provided the Board with an overview of the Summer ELDA Conference. No vote was required.

Ms. DeAngelo provided the Board with the personnel report. No vote was required. Mr. Posey provided the Board with an update to his inquiry from the last Board Meeting with regards to the Dean of Student Academics position.

Mr. Jackson provided the Board with a status update regarding the complaint from Ms. Keona Burnes, former employee (circa 2015-2016), C.G. Bethel High School, which had been handled by Karrie Dunn, Vice President of Human Resources. It was reported that there were no findings regarding the allegations and the file has been closed.

The April financial reports were provided by Ms. Schmitt.

On a motion by Mr. Paul and a second by Ms. Adelman, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the April financial reports as presented.

The 2022-2023 School Budgets were reviewed and approved for Andrews High School, C.G. Bethel High School, Chambers High School, Main Street School, Palm Beach Preparatory Charter Academy, and Sunrise High School.

On a motion by Ms. Adelman and a second by Mr. Paul, the Board unanimously agreed to approve the 2022-2023 School Budgets.

With no further discussions, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04pm on a motion by Mr. Paul and seconded by Ms. Adelman.

By: Leonard Posey (Aug 22, 2022 12:06 EDT)

Title: Governing Board Chairman