Minutes

(Pending Approval)

**The Family Place Public Charter School**

**Date | time** August 17, 2021 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | **Location** Virtual Meeting, Zoom

# **In Attendance**

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| **BOARD MEMBERS** |
| **NAME** | **PRESENT**  | **ABSENT**  |
| Mavis I. Ardon | x |  |
| Ann B. Barnet | x |  |
| Michael D. Barnet  | x |  |
| Shawn Chakrabarti  | x |  |
| Dania Diaz Amaya |  | x |
| Barbara Finkelstein  |  | x |
| Sarah Friedman | x |  |
| Natalia Isaza Brando | x |  |
| Marcia Harrington | x |  |
| Oralia Puente | x |  |
| Elaine Weiss  | x |  |

**Others Present:**

Haley Wiggins, Patricia Oholeguy, Miryam Acosta, Laurel Kircher, Fernando Saldana, Dr. Lawrence Bussey, Eileen Suffian.

# **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes Approved for June 16 Board Meeting as written. Roll Call completed.

# **Motions**

# **Description of Matters Discussed**

- Graduation was a Great Event and description was provided about the event, modifications were made to do a walk-through with photo opportunities and acknowledgement.

-Vaccinations:

Policy that Mayor and DC is placed and following the order; to show proof of vaccination or proof of weekly negative COVID test.

- Staff is all vaccinated except for one member.

- Students are the next challenge on how to gather information regarding vaccinations.

- We will be participating in an OSSE program to test students at the school.

- All day-time classes are in person. We are providing evening virtual classes, with the exception of Foundations of Literacy (Spanish Class) and a Multi-Level ESL class taught in person.

- We will provide a copy of the OSSE COVID Guidelines submitted for prevention and mitigation.

- Discussed how we can educate the community by bringing a Dr. to discuss the benefits of the vaccine.

- We know that we have a percentage of students that are vaccinated, and we have now learned that we can ask for this information, so we will be collecting this information.

- Plan another presentation event to talk to families and continue with our vaccine education efforts during the fall semester. During early October.

**Executive Director Report**

- EdOps had no new information to report on financials since we just finished one year and began another one.

- Receiving additional funding from 146K through the SOAR Grant, which is less than we were expecting.

- We are also getting 80K for facilities, that will help us offset the renovations.

**Academic Report**

- Hiring and replacing teachers for adult learning classes.

- Classes will be smaller, Foundations of Literacy, CDA and Multi Level ESL classes.

- Virtual Classes will continue for all ESL levels with a capacity of 20 students using ZOOM as a learning platform.

- Four morning classes, three afternoon classes, and Five in the evening.

- Health Protocols were presented

- Class starts on August 30th, 2021.

- Attendance will have a more solid structure compared to previous year.

- Planning to provide Hotspots and Laptops to students as appropriate to increase academic success.

- Digital Literacy support and Technical Support will be provided.

**Compliance Report**

- Four weeks of registration completed

- 325 Applicants were contacted and 182 registrations were processed.

- Home visits are going to be completed for those who don’t have all the paperwork to demonstrate proof of DC residency.

**Building Updates**

- Challenging to find a space that will allow for a dual generation program.

- One option is to rent space from the Festival Center for now until we can buy (Contact Dr. Barnet).

- Two generation model will always be part of the program and mission

- The current building expansion at 3309 16th Street. Is only helpful for the moment, since we are outgrowing our space capacity.

- Waiting on city approval to have basement ready for academic year.

# **Next Meeting**

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and was passed unanimously.