Uncommon Schools – Camden Prep
Board of Trustees Meeting
9:00 a.m., Monday, March 16, 2020
Video: https://uncommonschools.zoom.us/j/910524063
Phone: (646) 558 8656 | Meeting ID: 910 524 063
1650 Copewood Street | Camden, NJ 08103

The trustees in attendance were: Bob Howitt, Joe Mangini, Casetta Perry, Janellen Duffy, Lindsay Kruse, Julie Jackson. Absent: Reverend Floyd White. Also Present: Christy Carvalho, Giana Solomon-Campbell, Kelly Dowling, and Yoni Samuel-Siegel.

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. by Ms. Kruse, who noted that the meeting had been duly publicized, as required by law, in the Courier-Post and NJ Daily News.

It having been moved and duly seconded, the trustees voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2020, board meeting.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented an overview of Uncommon Schools’ COVID-19 Response Plan. She explained the decision to close schools, described what schools were doing to keep the children safe, and shared the plan to ensure students would continue to receive instruction throughout the closure period.

Ms. Kruse opened up the floor to public comments: There were none.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the personnel hires of Mayani Williams-Glenn and Zaharah Moore for Mt. Ephraim Elementary School, and Shameeru Johnson-Furlow for Copewood Elementary School. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to approve the hiring of the aforementioned individuals.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the resolution to approve HIB Investigation Findings. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to approve the HIB Investigation Findings.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the resolution to approve the Archway at Cooper’s Poynt contract for student L.G.. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to approve the Archway at Cooper’s Poynt contract.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the resolution to approve Bus Aides contract with First Student. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to approve the Bus Aides contract.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the resolution to appoint the 2019-2020 Auditor. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to appoint the 2019-2020 Auditor.
Ms. Carvalho presented the Q2 Budget Variance Presentation, noting the region’s strong financial health due in large part to increased overall enrollment and growth and changes in staffing over the past year.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell presented the Financial Report. The following subjects were discussed:
- ESSA/IDEA Initial Federal Salary List
- Refusal of Title I Reallocated Funds
- Preliminary FY21 State Budget
- Q2 Variance Memo
- Q2 Budget Transfer Resolution
- Purchase Orders, 01/01/20 - 01/31/20
- Treasurer’s Report, 01/01/20 – 02/29/20

It having been moved and duly seconded, the trustees voted unanimously to approve resolutions to accept the aforementioned resolutions and reports.

Ms. Solomon-Campbell thanked the board members for completing their annual disclosure forms and reminded them to register and complete their required governance training sessions this spring.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 AM.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS Monday, MAY 18 at 9:00 am, AT CAMDEN PREP MT. EPHRAIM CAMPUS (1575 MT. EPHRAIM AVENUE).