

**Uncommon Schools – Camden Prep
Board of Trustees Meeting
9:00 a.m., Monday, September 20, 2021
1650 Copewood St, Camden, NJ**

*The trustees in attendance were: Bob Howitt, Joe Mangini, Cassetta Perry, Lindsay Kruse, Julie Jackson, Reverend Floyd White, Janellen Duffy
Also Present: Christy Carvalho, Giana Campbell, Natalie Cooper, Brandi Chin, Kelly Dowling, Mary Kate Miller, Mark Roberts*

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by Ms. Kruse, who noted that the meeting had been duly publicized, as required by law, in the Courier-Post and Camden Prep’s website.

It having been moved and duly seconded, the trustees voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2021 board meeting.

Ms. Kruse shared Camden Prep’s Board priorities for the upcoming year, including growing and developing Board leadership, understanding and stewarding key drivers of organizational sustainability, and strengthening knowledge of the Camden community to inform decisions.

Ms. Campbell introduced Mark Roberts, CEO of CamCare, who is observing the meeting as a community member.

Ms. Dowling, Ms. Chin, and Ms. Miller shared academic updates, including schools re-opening for in person learning on August 23rd, the launch of Copewood Middle School, and how Camden Prep plans to keep students and staff safe by adhering to COVID related health and safety standards. Ms. Campbell presented about student enrollment including progress towards goals so far, updates on outreach efforts, and introduced Camden Prep’s new Enrollment Manager, Natalie Herbert. Ms. Cooper shared updates on fundraising campaign goals and upcoming proposals.

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

Ms. Campbell presented the Personnel Report. The following new hires were presented:

Copewood Elementary

- *Damarly Dunkley, Teacher*
- *Elizabeth Letizia, Teacher*

Camden Prep High School

- *Makia Jackson, Social Worker*
- *Mariana Makoon-Singh Cordeiro, Teacher*
- *Miranda, Le Blanc, Teacher*

Mt. Ephraim Middle School

- *Adrienne Castro-Moreno, Teacher*
- *Divine Davenport, Office Manager*

Copewood Middle School

- *Amina Dickinson, Office Manager*
- *Cassandra Lopez, Teacher*
- *Chad Parsons, Teacher*
- *Paul O’Neil, Teacher*

Mt. Ephraim Elementary School

- *Bryanna Reyes, Apprentice Teacher*
- *Claire McEachern, Teacher*
- *Dasia Lahm-Cook, Teacher*
- *Diana Okon, Teacher*
- *Gabrielle DeMarco, Teacher*
- *Hope Burnus, Teacher*

- *Imani Saunders, Teacher-Campus Bridge*
- *Laura Santare, Teacher*
- *Michelle Tenido, Teacher*
- *Nazje, James, Teacher*
- *Sean Phelan, Teacher*
- *Jaime Pietrzak, Teacher*
- *John Woolson, Teacher*
- *Lauren Virelli, Teacher*
- *Megan Sheean, Teacher*
- *Paola Nova, Office Manager*
- *Samanthan Fine, Teacher*
- *Stefani Chamberlain, Teacher*
- *Yazzie Hormay, Teacher*

Shared Regional Staff

- *Natalie Herbert, Regional Enrollment Manager*
- *Victoria Glover, External Affairs Associate*
- *Ashley Jackson, Operations Fellow*
- *Susan Campbell, Director of Regional Support*

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

Ms. Campbell presented the Administrative items. The following subjects were presented:

- Resolution to approve the 2020-21 Final Annual Report
- Resolution to approve the 2021-22 Aramark Consolidation Agreement
- Resolution to approve the 2021-22 Floorite, LLC Cleaning Contract
- Resolution to approve the 2021-22 Turner Security Contract. After discussion, it having been moved and duly seconded, the board voted unanimously to approve 2021-22 Turner Security Contact
- Resolution to approve the 2021-22 EdPlan contract
- Resolution to approve the 2021-22 Therapy Source contract for ESL teacher vacancies

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

Mr. Mangini presented the Financial Report. The following subjects were presented:

- Briefing on the FY21 Preliminary Budget and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds
- Resolution to authorize Transfer to Cover Deficit in the Enrichment Program
- Resolution to approve Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)
- Resolution to approve Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- Resolution to approve American Rescue Plan Individuals with Disabilities (ARPIDEA)
- Resolution to approve Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA)

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

The meeting was adjourned at 10:57 AM.

The next board meeting is Monday, November 29th at 9am at Camden Prep Copewood Campus.