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Board Meeting Minutes

June 26, 2019

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21 Humboldt St.

Board Members in Attendance: Bryan Hickman, Mike Mandina, Evan Gallina, and Stephen Jacobs

Vertus Staff in Attendance: Julie Locey, Jason Trzeciak

Bryan Hickman called the meeting to order at 7:41am.

Upon a motion by Evan Gallina, seconded by Mike Mandina, the Board unanimously agreed to accept the Minutes from the April Board Meeting.

Julie Locey presented the Month-at-a-Glance Report, highlighting the NWEA results comparing the fall administration to the spring; our students achieved more than the expected growth based on national statistics, but not as much growth as last year's administration in reading. Student's growth in math was comparable to last year's; Julie discussed ideas to improve the reading statistics for next year's administration. Julie went on to discuss the upcoming summer session, including the tutoring program sponsored by SUNY Brockport. She also led a discussion around the staff and student survey results which, overall were very positive.

Jason Trzeciak talked about student recruitment which remains ahead of goals, hiring, and facilities updates happening over the summer. He went on to present the updated statistics report which tracks the benchmark goals set by the Board; attendance remains a challenge, but the other benchmarks are on track. Jason presented the Retention, Enrollment, and Recruitment Report which highlights a lower than historical attrition rate, and recruitment which is ahead of our goals.

Julie presented the graduation status report; dating the Board on this year's overall graduation rate which should come in about 70% by NYSED standards for the 4 year rate.

Jason Trzeciak then presented the financial report for April which demonstrated that Vertus remains on track with expenditures, and Julie Locey led a discussion about the unexpected reduction in High Cost Aid Tuition from the RCSD.

Jason Trzeciak presented the Financial Report which compares actual revenues and expenditures to anticipated amounts. Overall revenue is lower than expected due to less than anticipated SpEd tuition payments, but careful management of expenses offsets the shortcomings.

Upon a motion by Stephen Jacobs, seconded by Bryan Hickman, the Board unanimously approved the bell schedule for the 2019-20 school year which was adjusted to accommodate the requirements for SpEd instructions and extends Friday's to full days compared to half-days in previous years.

Upon a motion by Stephen Jacobs, seconded by Evan Gallina, the Board unanimously approved the 2019-20 budget.

Bryan Hickman moved to adjourn, seconded by Evan Gallina at 8:41am.

Next Meeting – Scheduled for July 31, 2019 at 21 Humboldt St., Rochester