



Vertus HIGH SCHOOL

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES VERTUS HIGH SCHOOL

August 11, 2020

Time and Place of Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Trustees (the “Board”) via video conference on August 11, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. EST

Quorum and Attendees

The following Trustees were present:

Bryan Hickman
Victoria Van Voorhis
Evan Gallina
Mike Mandina
Dr. Frederick Johnson
David Carr

The following staff members were present:

Julie Locey
Jason Trzeciak

Call to Order

Mr. Bryan Hickman called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. and acted as Chairperson of the meeting. Mr. Gallina acted as Secretary of the meeting. Mr. Hickman then announced that the meeting was ready to proceed with its business. All directors could be heard and be seen by each other. Mr. Hickman then reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Governance and Resolutions

Resolution 1: *Approval of Prior Minutes:* The Board reviewed the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on July 21, 2020. Following discussion, and upon a motion made by Mr. Mandina, seconded by Mr. Gallina, the Board unanimously approved the Prior Minutes.

Charter Renewal Application and Related Matters

Resolution 2: *Approval of revisions to the By-Laws:* Upon a motion by Mr. Mandina and seconded by Dr. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved the proposed revisions to the By-Laws.

Resolution 3: *Approval of setting the number of Authorized Trustees:* Upon a motion by Mr. Hickman and seconded by Ms. Van Voorhis, the Board unanimously approved the proposed revisions of the number of Authorized Trustees to seven (7).



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Resolution 4: *Approval of the School Leader Evaluation for the 2019-2020 School year:* Upon a motion by Ms. Van Voorhis and seconded by Mr. Mandina, the Board unanimously approved the School Leader Evaluation for the 2019-2020 School year.

Resolution 5: *Approval of the Board Self-Evaluation for the 2019-2020 School year:* Upon a motion by Mr. Mandina and seconded by Mr. Gallina, the Board unanimously approved the Board Self-Evaluation for the 2019-2020 School year.

Resolution 6: *Approval of the Board Strategic Plan:* Upon a motion by Mr. Gallina and seconded by Dr. Johnson, the Board unanimously approved the Board Strategic Plan.

Resolution 7: *Approval to Submit Part I of the Charter Renewal Application:* Upon a motion by Ms. Van Voorhis and seconded by Mr. Mandina, the Board unanimously approved the application to renew the Charter for Vertus.

School Reports

Principal's Report: Ms. Locey gave an update on school activities, including the process to have students back in the building. This includes all necessary updates and upgrades to comply with all state mandated COVID-19 regulations. Ms. Locey gave an overview of the reopening plan put into place by the school in order to achieve all compliances necessary. Ms. Locey also gave an update on the students that have graduated during the summer months.

CFO Report/Finance: Mr. Trzeciak gave an overview of where the school currently stands financially. As the new fiscal year has now began, Vertus has received all payments as planned and is currently in line with the budget. Vertus is currently operating positively and is in a strong cash position.

Recruitment Report: The recruitment staff continues to work diligently to recruit students, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. With the governor recently announcing that schools will, in fact, be held this fall, Vertus anticipates there will be last minute applications. Dr. Johnson has been in contact with Vertus recruiter Michael James and continues to push virtual tours and webinars to promote the Vertus mission.

Adjournment

Questions were asked and answered throughout the meeting and general discussion ensued throughout the meeting. Upon a motion by Mr. Carr, seconded by Dr. Johnson and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned the meeting at 5:18 p.m. EST.

Evan Gallina
Secretary of the Board