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|  | **Board Meeting** **October 2, 2019****6:30PM - 8:15PM** |

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| **Board Members in Attendance:** | **Absent Board Members:**  | **Other Attendees:**  |
| Geraldo Vasquez, Board ChairRosann Santos, Vice Chair Harini Mittal, Treasurer Tameka Beckford-Young, Secretary | Raghav ThaparMarlin JenkinsMatthew Kirby-Smith  | Kristen Shroff, Head of SchoolErienne Rojas, Director of Operations |

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| **Agenda Item** |
| The meeting was called to order at 6:38pm by Gerry Vasquez.  |
| **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes*** July 2019
* August 2019
* September 2019

**The above-mentioned minutes will be moved to November’s Board Meeting.****Recommendation for note taker:*** Rosann can share the job description with note takers on Campus (Office of Disability Services)
* Gerry will put something together by Friday and send over to Rosann
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| **Management Report**

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| **Student Recruitment**  |
| * Our current enrollment is 166 students
	+ We have 12 extra SPED 60+ students than budgeted and 3 fewer SPED 20-60 students than budgeted, resulting in $210,000 in revenue above and beyond what we budgeted
	+ Slav, Erienne, and I have revised our budget to get us to an ending fund balance for this year of $761,000 with 60 days of cash on hand, as requested last month by the board. We feel really confident in this budget and in our financial status going forward.
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| **2018-2019 Academic Results**  |
| * Our 2018-2019 state test results are in. Our students increased their proficiency overall by 1.23 years in reading and 1.16 years in math.
* Our lowest students (students who earned a 1 on the previous year’s exam) grew the most, increasing almost 1.5 years on average. Our highest students (students who earned a 3 or 4 on the previous year’s exam) grew the least, averaging about 1.0 years’ growth.
* Our ELLs and students with IEPs grew, on average, slightly more than their general education peers.
* Our overall proficiency was 28% in math and 21% in reading. This is 10% higher in both subjects than where we started the year, but still not where we want to be.
* My goal for this year is to continue to focus on our lower students, but prioritize our highest students as well.
* We have our first round of Interim Assessments next week and will have our first data points on estimated student proficiency for this year.
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| **Student Population Statistics** |
| * Race
	+ 56% Hispanic; 34% Black, Not of Hispanic Origin; 5% Multiracial; 5% Asian or Pacific Islander
* Gender
	+ 60% Male; 40% Female
* Special Populations
	+ 28% Students with IEPs; 14% English Language Learners; 15% Former English-Language Learners
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| **Beginning of the Year Student Academic Results**  |
| **Math MAP**

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|  | **Overall** | **Special Education**  | **English Language Learners** |
| **5th Grade**  | 25th Percentile Nationwide | 18th Percentile Nationwide | 13th Percentile Nationwide |
| **6th Grade** | 34th Percentile Nationwide | 20th Percentile Nationwide | 21st Percentile Nationwide |

**Reading MAP**

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|  | **Overall** | **Special Education**  | **English Language Learners** |
| **5th Grade**  | 28th Percentile Nationwide | 21st Percentile Nationwide | 14th Percentile Nationwide |
| **6th Grade** | 37th Percentile Nationwide | 18th Percentile Nationwide | 17th Percentile Nationwide |

**F&P Reading Levels**

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|  | **Overall** | **Special Education**  | **English Language Learners** |
| **5th Grade**  | 3.1 grade level (1.9 years behind)  | 2.7 grade level (2.3 years behind) | 2.2 grade level(2.8 years behind)  |
| **6th Grade** | 4.5 grade level (1.5 years behind)  | 3.6 grade level (2.4 years behind)  | 3.3 grade level (2.7 years behind)  |

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| **Finance and Facilities Committee Report*** Variance in operating income due to fluctuation in per pupil funding
* Expenses have gone up due to timing issue
* Enrollment is less
* Revenue go down
* Positive balance from last year impacts our budget well
* 1 month lag in financials
* possible solution – change board meetings to later in the month

**Audit & Audit Report*** Kristen’s signature

**Wrap up call with the Auditor*** Add Harini and Gerry to the call

**Facilities Update*** Landlord is responsive with Emblaze management
* Building issues are 4th floor ACs and foul stench in Nurse’s office

Send email to Gerry when Harini does not approve |
| **Governance Update*** Firefly has 1 year to raise 100k and then
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| **Enrollment and Development Committee Report****Development Update** * Gerry is stepping down as Board Chair of Emblaze by December board meeting
* Gerry has been chatting with the Board about
* Committee meetings can be done in the afternoon (reoccurring dates and times make sense for everyone)
* Finalizing board member job descriptions
* Goal: send out before November board meeting
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| The meeting adjourned at 7:31pm by Gerry Vasquez. |