

# The Governing Board of Freedom Preparatory Academy

HELD A PUBLIC MEETING  
IN THE SECONDARY SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

**October 29, 2020 – 12:00 PM**

*Board members participated electronically with anchor location stated above. In attendance via zoom: Chris Helvey, Lynne Herring, Cary McConnell, Jay Garlock, Thomas Chan, Robert Merrill, Tracey Noonan*

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Approve minutes from the July 28, 2020 Governing Board Meeting

Thomas Chan moved to approve the July 28, 2020 Governing Board Meeting minutes. Jay Garlock seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote 4-0, no opposition.

2. Approve minutes from the September 17, 2020 Governing Board Meeting

Jay Garlock moved to approve the September 17, 2020 Governing Board Meeting minutes. Robert Merrill seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote 4-0, no opposition.

3. Executive Director Update

Lynne discussed the numbers from the October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 UTREx report.

Chris discussed the groundbreaking ceremony changes. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, only the Governing Board and Executive Admin team will be attending.

4. Budget Update

We received our official letter from the auditor: Student count is 2040. 7% increase over last year. Approximately 35 preschoolers combined from both campuses. Met yesterday with Derek Marshall and David Robertson regarding growth. 8 new teachers have been hired this school year due to starting FPVA. Chris was notified yesterday of \$300,000 grant exclusively for teachers. We are right on target with budget. More budget details will be provided at the December GB meeting.

5. Approve LEA Specific License Policy and License Requests

New state licensing program requires Freedom Prep to have a policy regarding LEA specific teacher licenses. The GB must approve the licenses and policy. Some board members expressed interest in future updates regarding the 14 teachers who need the LEA Specific Licenses. Jay Garlock moves to approve the LEA Specific Educator License Policy. Cary McConnell seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0, no opposition. Cary moved to approve LEA Specific Educator Licenses. Jay Garlock seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0, no opposition.

6. Appoint Two Board Members to work with Administration on the Washington County Campus Expansion Project

Thomas Chan moved to appoint Cary McConnell and Robert Merrill to work with the Exec. Admin. Team on the Washington County Campus Expansion Project. Jay Garlock seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0, no opposition.

7. Appoint a Representative as the Charter School Board Building Officer for the Washington County Campus Expansion Project

Robert Merrill moved to appoint Lynne Herring as the Charter School Board Building Officer for the Washington County Campus Expansion Project. Cary McConnell seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0, no opposition.

8. Approve Washington County Campus Reimbursement Resolution

This allows the school to be paid (reimbursed) out of the bond proceeds for purchases. Chris will change the date to October 29<sup>th</sup> and put the resolution on school letterhead and have GB members sign it electronically. Jay moved to approve the Washington County Campus Reimbursement Resolution pending any changes recommended by the attorney. Robert seconded. Roll Call vote 4-0, no opposition.

The Governing Board may consider a motion for a Closed Meeting in accordance with The Utah Open and Public Meetings Act for purposes outlined in Utah Code\*

Next two Governing Board Meetings tentatively scheduled for November 19<sup>th</sup> at noon and December 10<sup>th</sup> at noon.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:56.

\*The Freedom Preparatory Academy Governing Board may consider a motion to close the meeting to hold a strategy session to discuss the purchase, sale, exchange, or lease of real property, and/or the character, professional competence, or physical

or mental health of an individual in conformance with § 52-4-204 and 52-4-205 et. Seq., Utah Code Ann.

**Board Goals 2019-2020**

**a. Student and Employee Success**

- i. Ensure the development data-driven methods to understand student success.
- ii. Contribute to improving lives through development of policies and practices

**b. Operational Efficiency**

- i. Require school to operate in the black
- ii. Oversee Retaining and Enrolling Students
- iii. Quarterly Enrollment review
- iv. Regular Policy Review each Board Meeting

**c. Community Relations**

- i. Be involved regularly in Parent and Student engagement activities
- ii. Evaluate PR quarterly
- iii. Governing Board Members attend and assist fundraisers

**d. Specific Areas of Focus**

- i. Define what makes Freedom different/unique
- ii. Support consistent culture across campuses