

INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN HIGH SCHOOL, LLC
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
September 19, 2023

MINUTES

The Board of Directors of the Indianapolis Metropolitan High School, LLC met at 9:00 am on September 19, 2023, at Goodwill's headquarters. Present were:

Gita Baker, present

Kofi Barko, present

Garland Graves, not present

Perry Griffith, not present

Kent Kramer, present

Jay Oliver, present

Don Palmer, present

Laura Pickett, present

Doris Pryor, present

Josh Shelton, present

Staff/Other:

Ivan Cropper

Betsy Delgado

Sheila Dollaske

Corey Emery

Matt Fortney

Lynn Greggs

Christina Lear

Kim Myers

Kari Podany

Board Chair Gita Baker presided and called the meeting to order.

There was no public comment.

On a motion by Jay Oliver, duly seconded, the minutes of the August 7, 2023, Board of Directors meeting were approved as previously distributed. Roll call by individual members' present were all in agreement of approval.

Christina Lear gave the school enrollment update, highlighting the following:

- The budget is 265 students with current number at 259.
- There is daily enrollment until count day (Oct 1).
- There are 31 potential withdraws listed with nine of those being counted but may withdraw prior to count day.
- Of the current 259 students, 145 were previously enrolled and 136 are new students.
- The conversion rate of applicants to enrolled students is approximately 40%.
- To hit the enrollment goal, there would need to be 113 applicants over the next two weeks.
- Recruiting efforts include an increased ad spend as the primary way to get leads on prospective students, reaching out to past applicants who did not enroll, contacting community partners for referrals, sending out newsletters and checking in with current students who may have a referral.

Corey Emery commented on all the Marion County schools getting together once a month to share events and ensure they are covering the city appropriately and not doubling efforts. Additionally, a tightly coordinated system is in place when an Excel Center school has reached enrollment and funneling any 17-year-old applicants directly to the Met.

Christina also reported on the Dashboard, highlighting the following:

- Mastery Assessment 1 shows 21% of students passing five credit-bearing classes. This is the best predictor of on time graduation.
- Much time goes into analyzing any gaps, which typically are driven from attendance and some language barriers.

There was discussion on foreseeable future tracking, remediation times and if the 75% of students passing five credit-bearing classes is realistic, which is negotiated in the renewal process.

There was discussion on comparable data in other alternative schools. As well as widening academic gaps and improved attendance post-Covid.

There was further discussion on celebrating stories of hope and capturing wins. The board would like to know and acknowledge milestones.

Christina then reviewed attendance, recruitment, onboarding and keeping processes moving forward. She noted the 96% rate of students having individualized plans of support and 100% of expected graduates have post-secondary plans in the Dashboard. Christina also pointed to the 100% four and five-year cohorts with expected graduates on track to achieve certification or dual credit.

Betsy Delgado commented on work going into the second round of funding from the Charter School Growth Fund. Directors may see invites to come and speak with this group on funding for the National Office.

There was no comment from the Mayor's Office.

The meeting was adjourned.