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MINUTES

University of Houston Charter School Board

Date: July 19, 2016

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: UH Charter School

Board of Regents Conference Room, 128 E. Cullen Building

University of Houston Houston, Texas 77204

Present: Robert H. McPherson, Ph.D., Chair

Jonathan Schwartz, Ph.D., College of Education Faculty Representative

Rozina Chowdry, Teacher Representative

Rebecca Sanford, Ph.D., Community Representative

Patricia Paquin, Acting Principal and Superintendent, UH Charter School (non-voting ex-

officio)

Absent: Vacant Position, Parent Representative

Quorum: Four of four Board members/representatives present (majority required).

New Business:

1. Call to Order: 9:07 a.m. by Chair McPherson.

- 2. Roll Call and acknowledgment of presence of Board members McPherson, Schwartz, Chowdry, Sanford and Paquin (non-voting ex-officio).
- 3. Chair McPherson noted that there had been a request to speak to the Board in Open Forum; however, such request was withdrawn at 9:20 p.m. on July 18, 2016. Accordingly, no Open Forum was necessary.
- 4. Chair McPherson presented the Board Minutes from the May 16, 2016 Board Meeting for review and approval. No corrections to the Board Minutes. <u>Motion</u>: Representative Jonathan Schwartz moved to approve the May 16, 2016 Board Minutes, seconded by Representative Rozina Chowdry. The Motion passed unanimously.
- Chair McPherson represented that he is continuing the consideration process, in consultation with Patricia Paquin, Acting Principal and Superintendent, to appoint a new Parent Representative. To date, two parents who would have been an asset to the Board were contacted for further

- consideration, but for personal reasons declined to serve. Chair McPherson hopes to appoint a new parent representative prior to the October Board meeting to fill the current vacancy.
- 6. Patricia Paquin presented the Principal's Report on the UH Charter School. No vote is required on the Principal's Report.
- 7. Patricia Paquin presented the UH Charter School Quarterly Budget. No vote is required on the Quarterly Budget.
- 8. Patricia Paquin presented the proposed UH Charter School Performance Framework. The Framework provides information on the changing Texas Education Agency guidelines related to accountability and compliance. Framework compliance by 2021 for renewal. No vote is required on the Performance Framework.
- 9. Lauri Schneidau Ruiz presented an overview of the bill passed by the Texas Legislature during the last Legislative session requiring schools to provide for video surveillance of certain Special Education settings starting with the 2016-2017 academic year as well as to have policies relating to video surveillance. Ms. Ruiz further presented the draft UH Charter School policy for approval. Motion: Representative Rozina Chowdry moved to approve the UH Charter School Policy regarding Video Surveillance of Certain Special Education Settings pending final review and recommendations by Representative Jonathan Schwartz, seconded by Representative Rebecca Sanford. The Motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Lauri Schneidau Ruiz presented an update of the Campus Carry law which will go in effect on August 1, 2016.
- 11. Patricia Paquin presented the UH Charter School's Parent/Student Handbook for the Board's review and approval. <u>Motion</u>: Representative Jonathan Schwartz moved to approve the UH Charter School's Parent/Student Handbook, seconded by Representative Rozina Chowdry. The Motion passed unanimously.
- 12. Patricia Paquin presented the UH Charter School's Faculty/Staff Handbook for the Board's review and approval. Motion: Representative Rebecca Sanford moved to approve the UH Charter School's Faculty/Staff Handbook pending final review, revisions and approval by Lauri Schneidau Ruiz, seconded by Representative Rozina Chowdry. The Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 13. Call to Order for Executive Session: 10:12 a.m. by Chair McPherson
- 14. Consultation with System Attorney Regarding Legal Matters and/or Contemplated Litigation or Settlement Offers Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
- 15. Adjournment of Executive Session: 10:59 a.m. by Chair McPherson.

Return to Open Session at 10:59 a.m.

- 16. Chair McPherson announced that the members met in Executive Session and no formal action was required or taken.
- 17. Chair McPherson announced the next meeting will be held on October 18, 2016.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Chair McPherson declared the meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at 11:00 a.m.

Documentation submitted Respectfully submitted by,	Adopted by the Board in the meeting o(Date of Meeting)
Jonathan P. Schwartz, Ph.D. Secretary	Presiding Officer
Others present:	

Lauri Schneidau Ruiz