

MEETING MINUTES

Name of Foundation: ReThink Forward, Inc.

Board Meeting: August 26, 2021

The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.

Date:	Next Meeting:	Next Time:	Prepared by:
August 26, 2021	September 30, 2021	2:30 p.m. CST	Dr. Kim Germany
Meeting Location:			
Nashville Collegiate Prep Temporary Office 1626 Bell Road, Nashville, TN 37211			
Attended by:			
Board Members:		Other Attendees:	
Present Dan Boone Dr. Sharon Smith Mr. Tom Lee	Absent Ms. Rebecca Dinda	Ms. Sherry Hage Richard Page Hillary Daigle Eric Lewis	

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 2:30 p.m. CST with a Call to Order by Tom Lee. Roll call was taken and quorum established.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

I. Administration:

- Tom Lee moved for approval of the July 29, 2021 meeting minutes as written.
- Dr. Sharon Smith seconded the motion to approve.
- July 29, 2021 minutes were unanimously approved by the ReThink Forward board.

II. NEI UPDATE:

- 1) Sherry Hage showcased a video of pictures of the school opening. The pictures show students engaged in direct instruction.
- 2) Mrs. Hage discussed student transportation. She detailed the number of buses and car rider procedures implemented.
- 3) Mrs. Hage also discussed after school care requests and current staffing needs.
- 4) Richard Page updated the board of the building permit.
- 5) Mr. Page briefed the board on enrollment numbers and projects to date.

III. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Mr. Page explained the need for the amended budget revision for the 2021-22 school which was because of the ESSER 3.0 grant allocation, the increased BEP funding, and subsequent increases made to teacher compensation that occurred after the original budget was passed.
- 2) Mr. Page described the 2021-22 salary scale for teachers and the potential bonus opportunity.
- 3) Tom Lee moved to adopt the amended budget. Motion was seconded by Dr. Smith. The amended budget was unanimously approved by the ReThink Board.
- 4) Mr. Boone introduced attorneys Caitlyn Elam and Mary Ann Stackhouse from Lewis Thomason Law Firm. The attorneys introduced themselves and discussed their role.
- 5) Mr. Boone suggested September 2, 2021 at 2:30 pm for the Grievance Hearing. The hearing will be available online for attendees. Communication with the grievant will be contacted by the board chair.

IV. OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Rutherford County Collegiate Prep Update
 - a) Mr. Page informed the board that the amended application was submitted on August 26, 2021 to Rutherford County School Board. Mr. Page explained that Rutherford County School Board has 60 days to review the amended application. The online copy of the amended application will be submitted to the TN Department of Education on August 27, 2021.
 - b) Mr. Page informed the board that an online marketing campaign was created for parental support. 114 parents indicated their support for a charter school. The responses from parents were submitted with the amended application.
 - c) Board member Tom Lee explained the next steps for the amended application process.
- 2) Mrs. Hage provided a brief Covid-19 update. Mrs. Hage discussed the cleaning procedures for Covid-19 and the notification process for parents. She explained that the school is following the governor's no mask mandate and procedures for students with exposure.
- 3) Mrs. Hage explained the use of technology for students that are absent from school due to illness.
- 4) Mrs. Hage informed the board of the date of the Grand Opening Ribbon Cutting.

Article I. Adjournment

Dr. Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Tom Lee seconded. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Board Chair: _____ *Dan Boone* _____

Date: 09/24/21 _____