

**Quality Education Academy (QEA)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
August 22, 2022  
Meeting took place via Zoom**

**Members Present:**

Chairman Dr. Jefferson Caruthers  
James Gadson  
James Covington  
Dr. Kendra March  
Adolphus Coplin  
John Foxworth  
CEO Dr. Tamara Turner

**Absent Members:**

Walter Weathers  
Ronald Jessup

**Staff (S) / Parents (P) / Visitors (V)**

Maggie Mirsky (V)    Denice Evans (S)    T. Howard (S)    T. Bellanger (S)  
A. Booth-Horton (S)    M. Ross (S)

**Welcome**

The QEA Board Meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm. It was determined a quorum of Board Members was present, thus, the meeting continued. The Chairman confirmed no changes were needed in the agenda. He also confirmed there were no conflicts of interests regarding any items on the agenda. The Mission, Vision and Core Values Statements were read by Dr. March.

**Review and approval of August 8, 2022 Board Minutes**

The Chairman gave Board members an opportunity to review the Board Meeting Minutes from the previous August 8, 2022 QEA Board Meeting. There was one noted correction. On page number 3, under the **CEO's Report** header, the second sentence should read, "She said the numbers for enrollment and returning students continues to rise and it appears that we will meet and possibly exceed our goal. Instead it reads, "the numbers for enrollment and returning students continues to rise and it appears that we will meet and possible exceed our goal". Mr. Gadson made a motion to receive the August 8, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes into public record with proper corrections if any. Mr. Foxworth seconded the motion. The vote was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously.

**Closed Session**

A motion was made to go into Closed Session. The Board went into closed session at 6:23 pm. While in closed session, the Board viewed and discussed a presentation presented by Ms. Maggie Mirsky, Public Finance Banker, regarding bonds. The Board returned from Closed Session around 7:32 pm following a motion to return to Open Session.

**CEO's Report**

CEO Dr. Turner was unable to provide her full monthly report due to technical issues. After a detailed discussion regarding an update to the Grievance Policy, Board Members agreed to proceed with the proposed policy as is and then revisit it again in 30 days. The

Chairman suggested that the Board review the Grievance Policy in a Board Policy Meeting and add an amendment in regards to the timeframe in which a parent/guardian has to respond to the claim once they have heard from the Disciplinary Committee. The Board concurred. The Chairman called for a motion to receive the proposed grievance policy with the expectation of reviewing it later at a Board Policy Meeting and then adding an amendment at that time. The amendment would be in regards to the timeframe in which a parent/guardian has to respond once he/she receives a response from the disciplinary committee. Mr. Gadson made a motion to receive the grievance policy with the expectations of later reviewing it and adding an amendment. Dr. March seconded the motion. The motion was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman informed Board Members that the McKinney-Vento Dispute Resolution Policy needs to be reviewed and approved. This is the resolution policy and process for QEA should the need arise regarding enrollment eligibility or school selection for homeless or unaccompanied youth. Mr. Gadson made a motion to receive the McKinney-Vento Dispute Resolution Policy and Dr. March seconded the motion. The vote was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Members were also instructed to review, approve and sign the Conflict of Interest Policy and the Nepotism Policy. The Chairman called for a motion to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy. Dr. March made a motion to receive the Conflict of Interest Policy and Mr. Gadson seconded the motion. The vote was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the Nepotism Policy. Dr. March made a motion to approve the Nepotism Policy. Mr. Gadson seconded the motion. The vote was put through by a show of hands. The motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman stated because of the late hour and technical issues, the remainder of the CEO's report and financial report will be presented at the next QEA Board meeting which will take place on Monday, September 12, 2022.

### **Adjournment**

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Coplin made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Gadson seconded. The vote was put through by a show of hands. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

### **Announcement**

The next Quality Education Academy Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 12, 2022, at 6:00 pm. A notification to all Board Members will be sent prior to the scheduled meeting. A copy of the previous month's minutes will be emailed to all Board Members in addition to the meeting notification.

Minutes recorded by S. Adams

**QEA Board Meeting Schedule:**

Monday, October 10, 2022    Monday, November 14, 2022

Monday, February 13, 2023    Monday, March 13, 2022

Monday, January 9, 2023

Monday, May 15, 2023