

**Quality Education Academy (QEA)  
Board Meeting Minutes  
November 14, 2022  
Meeting took place via Zoom**

**Members Present:**

Chairman Dr. Jefferson Caruthers  
John Foxworth  
James Gadson  
Adolphus Coplin  
Walter Weathers  
Dr. Kendra March  
Ronald Jessup  
CEO Dr. Tamara Turner

**Absent Members:**

James Covington

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

**T. Bellanger            T. Hinton**

**Welcome**

The QEA Board Meeting was called to order at 6:02pm. 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 interest regarding any items on the agenda. We had the reading of our Mission, Vision, and Core Values by Board member Mr. Gadson.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments in tonight's meeting.

**Review and approval of October 10, 2022 Board Minutes**

The Chairman gave Board members an opportunity to review the Board Meeting Minutes from the previous October 10, 2022 Board Meeting. Afterwards, he called for a motion to receive the minutes into the public record. Mr. Gadson made a motion to receive the October 10, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes into public record with proper corrections provided there are any. Mr. Foxworth seconded the motion. The vote was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously. There were no noted corrections to be made to the minutes.

The Board went into closed session at 6:13 pm to discuss Bond updates.

After the Board returned from closed session. We heard from the Chairman.

**From the Chair**

The Chairman stated he would like to applaud CEO, Dr. Turner and the staff on the visible progress that has taken place at the school so far this year. He made mention of the noticeable increase in student engagement and involvement over the past few months and commented on the staffs' continued focus on the goal specific outcomes in the areas

of Science, Math and Language Arts. He ended his statement by assuring both the staff and CEO, Dr. Turner, that the Board fully supports and thanks them for their efforts.

## **CEO'S Report**

CEO, Dr. Turner addressed the following:

### **I. Academics**

Dr. Turner informed Board members that preliminary benchmarks/check-ins are complete at this time. Testing data confirms there is an additional need for tutoring in High School math. Dr. Turner says now that we have gotten beyond the social and emotional support, it is time to redirect our focus. She urged Board members and anyone who might know of any College students, retired teachers, or anyone who is really proficient in math and is willing to volunteer their time as a student tutor to contact the school. We also need additional support in the areas of technology and we need K-2 TA's.

### **II. Operations**

Here are the events and important dates for the month:

- Saturday, November 19, 2022 we will celebrate Legacy at **6:00pm**
- Data Day is 11/10/2022
- QEA Boys mentoring group held their 1<sup>st</sup> interest meeting on 10/28/2022; the group name is Society of Gentlemen
- QEA Girls mentoring group's 1<sup>st</sup> Ladies Luncheon was held on 11/4/2022; the group name is Lasers for 3-8 and I.Q. for 9-12
- QEA is considering replacing the old QEA charter bus in an effort to reduce field trip costs.

### **III. Enrollment**

Dr. Turner informed Board members that enrollment is now closed and is only on a case by case basis. We currently have 668 scholars enrolled. There are 81 scholars currently on the waitlist.

### **IV. Staffing**

As of November 14, 2022, we have 106 staff members. QEA currently has the following openings:

1 <sup>st</sup> grade Teacher	1 <sup>st</sup> grade TA	4 <sup>th</sup> grade Teacher	K-7 Guidance
Counselor	I.T. Specialist	3 <sup>rd</sup> party Athletic trainer	
Math and reading tutors			

### **IV. Financial**

CEO Dr. Turner briefly reported on the Financial Report for September 2022. She informed Board Member that the Financial audit is now complete, however we have not received the final report.

### **V. Governance/Policies/Compliance**

Dr. Turner shared with Board members that the appeal process has been signed off on and a settlement has been reached in the expulsion case of a middle school scholar from the 2021 – 2022 school year. She also notified Board members of an updated to our current tardy policy and mission statement.

The Chairman called for a motion to receive the CEO and Financial report. Mr. Weathers made the motion to receive the CEO and Financial report and Mr. Jessup seconded the motion. The vote was put through using the roll call method. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment**

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gadson made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Foxworth seconded. The vote was put through by everyone who approved raising their hand, there were no opposers. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

### **Announcement**

The next Quality Education Academy Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2023 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:**

August 22, 2022  
September 12, 2022  
October 10, 2022  
November 14, 2022  
January 9, 2023  
February 13, 2023  
March 13, 2022  
May 15, 2023