

**Wissahickon Charter School  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 16, 2020 6:33pm-8:28pm**

**Virtual Meeting, Held through Zoom**

**Board Members Present:** Justin DiBerardinis (Chair), Charles Case (Treasurer), Bob Anderson, Rekyiah Abdul-Zahir, Shauna Mace, Ebony Staton Weidman, Michael-Ann Matticoli, Debbie Levin, Anthony Coughlin

**Staff Present:** Kristi Littell (CEO), Jane Walsh (Development Associate)

**Guests Present:** Mike Whisman (Charter Choices)

**The Chair, Justin DiBerardinis, called the meeting to order at 6:33pm**

**Review and Approval of Minutes (Justin DiBerardinis)**

Justin asked the board to review the minutes from the August 2020 meeting. Ebony made a motion to approve the September minutes and Charles seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

**Welcome and Introductions (Justin DiBerardinis)**

The Board introduced themselves to new member Anthony Coughlin and gave some of their professional and personal background.

**Financials (Mike Whisman, Charter Choices)**

Mike Whisman of Charter Choices reviewed the financial statements as of August 31, 2020 and the WCS 2020-21 Budget.

Mike also provided updates on the Fiscal Year 2020 audit and the refinancing of the Awbury campus building. Mike provided information on the new lease for the Awbury building from our landlords, Mt. Airy Transit Village.

The Board voted on a resolution to accept the new lease. Charles led a motion to approve the lease and Ebony seconded. The new lease agreement was approved unanimously.

Justin called for a motion to approve the Financial Statements. Charles led a motion to approve and Michael-Ann seconded. The board approved the Financials unanimously.

Justin called for a resolution to approve Kristi and Justin as signatories. Shauna led the motion to approve and Charles seconded. The board approved unanimously.

**CEO Report (Kristi Littell, CEO)**

Kristi provided an update on the start of the 2020-21 school year, which is currently in a fully virtual model. Kristi reported that the school is working to become a “one-to-one” device school, meaning that every Wissahickon student will have their own tablet to ensure they can participate in instruction from home.

Kristi held a presentation on the start of the year using Nearpod, an online platform that Wissahickon students are currently using for remote instruction..

### **Race, Equity, and Justice on the Wissahickon Board (Ebony)**

Revisiting a conversation that was started at the last board meeting, Ebony asked members of the board to share their thoughts and feelings on the issues of race, equity, and justice that have been brought to the forefront in the aftermath of current events in our country.

Ebony then asked board members to share how we can improve as a board both individually and collectively in regards to race and equity.

### **Governance Committee Report (Bob)**

Bob gave a brief overview of the month’s Governance Committee Meeting.

**The board agreed to adjourn unanimously at 8:28pm. The motion to adjourn was led by Ebony and seconded by Anthony.**

**Handouts that were distributed are attached.**

- Development Report
- Governance Committee Minutes 09-01-20
- Meeting Minutes 08.13.20
- WCS Board Agenda 09.16.20
- WCS Board Goals 2020-21
- WCS\_FinancialReport\_2020.08 v1.1
- WCS Board of Trustees Contact List 2019-2020.docx
- The Wissahickon Charter School - Board Resolutions Approving Transactions Associated with Refinance (01979798-3x9E3AD) (1)
- Wissahickon Charter Lease (01973444-3x9E3AD) (1)
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**Action Items:**

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