



**MEETING MINUTES
CAPITAL CITY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR SESSION**

September 11th, 2017

Attendance:

Trustees: Fred Sherman, Vanessa Gonzalez, Anne Herr, Kristi Craig, Nick Rodriguez, Sarah Dillard, Nick Rodriguez, Nitika Tolani, Mizmun Kusairi, Maggie Boland (phone), Daudeline Meme (phone)

Staff: Pam Daley, Karen Dresden, Jonathan Weinstein, Samantha Witkes, Pam Daley, Dominique Coote, Laina Cox, Belicia Reaves, Amy Wendel, Jake Fishbein

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

Welcome

Nick Rodriguez, Chair, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the school year.

Mission Moment

Antonio White, high school ELA inclusion teacher, introduced 4 high school seniors who shared their personal stories on race and racism from a book that the class published last spring titled, *You Don't Know Me*. Trustees were provided copies of the book.

Introductions

Trustees (new and returning) and Capital City staff introduced themselves to the group.

Consent Agenda

The Board voted unanimously to accept the consent agenda including the September School Report, Development Committee Minutes, and the September Development Dashboard.

Governance

Nick Rodriguez (Chair) and Fred Sherman (Treasurer) presented two candidates, Galo Pazmino and Jennifer Jackson, to join the Board and the Finance Committee. Bios for both candidates were shared. Both candidates possess strong finance backgrounds. Galo and Jennifer both visited the school last spring. They have met with Karen and with members of the Finance

Committee. Bringing on these two candidates will bring the board to full capacity at 15 members. Bringing on two new Finance Committee members now makes sense since current committee members, Fred Sherman and Kristi Craig, both plan to roll off of the board at the end of the school year.

The Board voted unanimously to invite Jennifer Jackson and Galo Pazmino to join the Board of Trustees.

School Performance: SY16-17 Results

Sarah Dillard, School Performance Committee Chair, introduced the SY16-17 [School Performance Data](#) Presentation. Karen Dresden presented a high level summary and Jacob Fishbein, Director of Instruction, shared details by campus. The Lower School and Middle School campuses both saw measured growth in 2017. The two year growth trajectory for the two campuses is even stronger with growth outpacing the District in both ELA and Math. The High School saw small declines in both ELA and Math, but performance remains strong relative to other DC high schools. Overall, our ELA scores remain stronger than the state, but math performance continues to lag behind the state and behind our ELA performance.

2017 PARCC data overall and for subgroups confirms the focus areas for our new strategic plan: math, equitable outcomes (focus on English Learners and Special Education students), and college readiness. The strategies we focused on in SY16-17 including personalized instruction for math and increased ELA aligned with standards in expeditions showed results especially in Lower School ELA and Middle School math; however, there was an investment in time to train teachers and put new systems in place. We expect to see stronger impact from these strategies in SY17-18.

Strategic Plan Review and Update

Karen provided an update on the strategic plan that was developed last spring. Over the summer the plan was shared with entire staff for feedback. Staff members are aligning their goals to the strategic plan. A meeting is planned for early October to share the plan with parents. We are working to produce a version of the plan that can be shared on our website.

Implementation of the plan is now underway. We are working to hold ourselves accountable by having regular stocktakes. Karen shared the [Strategic Plan Monitoring Timeline](#). The timeline includes regular updates to the Board and the January retreat will focus on the strategic plan.

Governance Update

Karen and Nick introduced Trustee Agreements and Conflict of Interest Disclosures. Trustees reviewed and signed these.

The meeting adjourned at 8:28pm.