

# Florida Charter School Meeting of the Board of Directors May 12, 2014

#### **Board of Directors**

Andreina Figueroa (Chair) (Present)
Lourdes Marrero (Secretary & Vice-Chair) (Present)
Daniel Diaz (Treasurer) (Present)
David Concepcion (Present)
Ana Diaz (Present)
Louis Marin (Texas) (Absent)
Carlos Resendez (Texas) (Absent)
George B. Ozuna (Texas) (Absent)
Tony Morales (Student Alumni) (Non-Voting / Pending Clearance) (Present)
Raul Martinez, Jr. (Non-Voting / Pending Clearance)

### **Board Counsel**

Charles Gibson, Esq. (Present)

### **Summary Minutes**

- 1. Opening Exercises
- 2. Public Comment
- 3. Action & Discussion Items
  - a. Facilities Report
    - i. **APPROVED**: The Board reviewed & unanimously approved the Somerset Academy, Inc. Maintenance Agreement with Civica for three years.
    - ii. Somerset Academy Silver Palms Parking Lot Project and Annex
      - a. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved the project cost of \$1.1 million.
      - b. **APPROVED**: The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the AIA Construction Agreement for \$1.1 million with recommended revisions by Mr. Gibson.
      - c. Finance Report / Options (by Richard Moreno)
  - b. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved to authorize the amendment of Somerset Academy Oaks to relocate to a new, permanent location and to authorize the Chair to negotiate and execute the facility lease for the new site.
  - c. APPROVED: The Board unanimously approved the Principal for Somerset Academy Middle & High Schools South Homestead (SoHo) commencing the 2014-15 school year as recommended by the Interview Committee; the final candidate shall be ratified at the June meeting.
  - d. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved the Resolution & Officers Closing Certificate for the Somerset Academy Canyons Middle / High Phase 2 Lease Amendment for Expansion.
    - i. Mr. Llanes reviews the project.
    - ii. Mr. Moreno and Mr. Gibson reviews the terms of the amendment.

- e. Report by Dr. Ruth Jacoby, Executive Director of Education
- f. Somerset Academy, Inc. Recruitment Efforts Update (Mr. Daniel Shourds)
- g. Discussion Items by Principals
- h. Financial Report
  - i. Discuss & Possible Action: Creation of Finance and Strategic Planning Committee
  - ii. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved the creation of the Finance and Strategic Planning Committee as discussed.
  - iii. **APPROVED**: The Board reviewed & unanimously approved the revised 2013 2014 Annual Budgets for the Individual Miami-Dade Schools.
  - iv. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved to raise the per student charge by Somerset Academy, Inc., commencing 2013-14 school year, for system-wide curriculum and accreditation support not to exceed \$100 per student (formerly \$25 per student). The amount will only be billed to an individual Somerset Charter School if it is projecting a budget surplus after the charge is assessed.

# 4. Consent Agenda

- a. **APPROVED**: The Board approved the minutes of the Somerset Academy, Inc. Florida Charter Schools Board of Director's Meeting for March 12, 2014 and April 7, 2014.
- b. **APPROVED**: The Board approved to Adopt the Monthly / Quarterly Financial Statements for the Individual Schools.
- c. **APPROVED**: The Board approved the out of field waiver(s) for instructional personnel with out of field assignments for the individual schools.
- 5. Other Items by Board Members, Staff, or Academica
  - i. **APPROVED**: The Board unanimously approved Board Counsel, Charles Gibosn to review and negotiate the facility lease for the current CPATC building as it will be renewed under Somerset Academy, Inc. The Board further authorizes the Chair to execute the lease pending final review and recommendations by Mr. Gibson.
- 6. Meeting adjourned

