



**MAEF Public Charter Schools  
dba ACCEL Day and Evening Academy  
Meeting of the Board of Directors**

Tuesday, March 19, 2019  
8:30 AM

**MINUTES**

**Members present:** Bernadette Burroughs, Lance Covan, Charlotte Greene, Jordan Jones, Rob McGinley, Henry O'Connor, Richard Perry, Mark Spivey and Sarah Stashak

**Members absent:** Ernest Gwinn

**Staff present:** Carolyn Akers, Jeremiah Newell, Michelle Parson and Janice Rivers

**Guest present:** Eric Beck, Nash Campbell, Peter Kupfer and Jean McCutchen

Board Chair, Henry O'Connor

- Called the meeting to order at 8:30am
- Roll Call of all present
- Asked guest to introduce themselves to the board
- Mission moment

**Approval of Minutes**

**ACTION ITEM #1- *Henry O'Connor asked for a motion to approve the February 5, 2019 BOD minutes.***

Charlotte Greene made the motion; Mark Spivey seconded the motion. Henry O'Connor called for a vote, and it was passed with a 9-0 vote.

***School Leaders Report, Jeremiah Newell***

- Had a great visit to the State Department of Education in Montgomery last week. All 6 approved Charter Schools in the state were in attendance. Site visits will take place in May 2019. District monitoring every 5 years.
- The Auburn Center for Evaluation will do an on-site visit in April.
- Waiting on the arrival of scores from ACT.

- We have received 50 applications from new students wanting to attend ACCEL next year. We expect that number of applicants to continue to grow.
- The JJPR Firm did an amazing job at capturing stories from our students, faculty and parents.
- We had an unexpected visit from News 15 for “Cool Schools” segment.
- Rob McGinley and Richard Perry have been supportive in looking for a potential space for the middle school.
- State visited the school to view our food service process. We are waiting on the final approval from the State to get reimbursed for CNP.
- Expecting 70-90 graduates this year. Still need to find a speaker for graduation so any suggestions would be appreciated.

## **Approval of Saenger Contract-2019 ACCEL Graduation Exercises**

***ACTION ITEM #1- Henry O’Connor asked for a motion to approve the Saenger Contract for the 2019 ACCEL Graduation Exercises.***

Richard Perry made the motion; Jordan Jones seconded the motion. Henry O’Connor called for a vote. Rob McGinley abstained from the vote and it was passed with an 8-0 vote.

## **Committee Reports:**

### ***Governance and Operations Committee:***

- Discussed with board potential new locations for a middle school.
- Rob McGinley suggested that the board revisit the ACCEL By-Laws. Need to have someone come in and educate the board before updating the By-Laws.

### ***Academic Excellence:***

- Jordan Jones told the board that the committee has sit in on a couple of disciplinary hearings and Jeremiah Newell and Nathan Adams do a great job on creating a warm/strict environment at the school.

### ***Marketing and Development Committee:***

- Sarah Stashak invited the board to visit Creek Fest on May 11<sup>th</sup> as ACCEL will be an exhibit.

**Financial Report:**

- Lance Covan and Mark Spivey reviewed the financials with the board. The next opportunity to adjust the budget will be in June 2019. The board discussed potential funding/grants for the future growth of MAEF PCS.
- Henry O'Connor suggested that we develop a dashboard in the red, green and yellow format for financials.

Jeremiah informed the board that we had an ACCEL student place 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Science Fair!

Henry O'Connor adjourned the meeting at 9:43 AM.

Respectfully submitted by,



Charlotte Greene  
ACCEL Board Secretary



Janice Rivers  
MAEF PCS Staff