



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING



Date: February 4, 2021

Type of Meeting: General

Board Members in Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brian Dillard | <input type="checkbox"/> Marques Mitchell |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kanwal Sumnani Lopez | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Henrietta Muñoz |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackie Gorman | <input type="checkbox"/> Mary Gradney |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> George Pedraza | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Abernethy |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Frisbie | |

Staff in Attendance:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Akeem Brown, Lead Founder | <input type="checkbox"/> Dr. Daphene Carson, Director of Operations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jennipha Ricks, Chief Learning Officer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alicia Sebastian, Executive Assistant | |

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1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Dillard at 4:37 pm.
2. There was a discussion of the Mission of Essence Prep; Brown presented three versions of the mission that was derived from the 12 community sessions held with 203 participants within the past three months.
3. Members of the board responded with immediate feeling after reading each mission statement.
4. A Motion by Kanwal Lopez was made to adopt Essence Preparatory Charter School, through rigorous academics, intentional character development, and cultivating student knowledge of self prepares all kindergarten through eighth grade students for high school, college and beyond as leading agents of change in their communities. **Pedraza Seconded. The motion passed.**
5. Akeem Brown led the board in application review in preparation for the final capacity interview with TEA. **Dr. Muñoz moved and Abernethy seconded that we adjourn at 5:39pm. The motion passed.**

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Prepared and Submitted by:



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