

Uplift Education Board Meeting
 December 2, 2014 – 4:30 p.m.
 Location: CMO – First Floor Meeting Room
 1825 Market Center Blvd., Dallas, TX 75207

Called to Order: 4:32 p.m.

Uplift Board Members Present *:

Adjourned: 6:15 p.m.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tony Dona 2. Melissa McNeil 3. Carey Carter 4. Josh Terry 5. Donell Wiggins 6. Dustin Marshall 7. Randy Ray | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Marnie Wildenthal 9. Ryan Moss 10. Srikanth Srinivas |
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*Voting members: **Bold**

Others

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yasmin Bhatia 2. Bill Mays 3. Diana Meyer 4. Stacey Lawrence 5. Ann Stevenson | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Deborah Bigham 7. Johnny Deas 8. Ben VanMannen 9. Aimee Rincon 10. Abby Williams |
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<i>TOPIC</i>	<i>DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS</i>	<i>ACTIONS</i>	<i>ACTION FOLLOW-UP</i>
Call to Order & Approval of Minutes	A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by the chair, T. Dona. Christina Barbosa Young was introduced as a visitor. The minutes from the board meeting on October 28, 2014 were presented and reviewed.	Upon motion by D. Marshall and seconded by J. Terry, the minutes were approved as written.	
Adjustment to Agenda	Discussion of audit will be deferred to the next meeting.		Add to agenda at next board meeting
Expansion Amendments	Ann Stevenson presented several amendments to the North Hills charter: to add pre-K to grades authorized; to approve expansion to Seahawk & Hampton location and authorize pre-K at that site; Add pre-K to the new Heights primary; add pre-K site related to Peak; and approve applications for new school designation and start up grant. Amendments reviewed and discussed with board.	Upon motion by J. Terry and seconded by D. Wiggins, the board approved the amendments as presented.	File amendment requests with the TEA.
Nomination and approval of new board members	Dustin Marshall presented recommendation of the Governance Committee to approve Abby Williams and Christina Barbosa Young as trustees to the Uplift Board and to approve John Becker as chair of the Triumph Advisory Council.	Upon motion from D. Marshall, seconded by M. McNeil, the board approved the persons named to the boards as recommended.	

Proposed Pre-K Agreements	Yasmin Bhatia presented the proposed MOU with ChildCareGroup to operate a pre-K program at the new Hampton primary site (at Seahawk) and at the new Heights primary school. CCG has been operating the pre-K program at Hampton primary this year and changes in the MOU have been made based on that experience. Y. Bhatia also discussed the proposed pre-K program with Mi Escuelita to be operated at the Mi Escuelita site on Henderson Ave. near Peak. These programs will be subject to TEA approval of the expansion amendments.	After discussion and upon motion by D. Marshall and seconded by M. McNeil, the board approved the MOU with CCG. Upon motion by J. Terry and seconded by D. Wiggins, the board also approved the agreement with Mi Escuelita.	
GPISD Partnership – MOU	Y. Bhatia reported on status of the negotiations with GPISD for the planned partnership. Working groups are meeting and Jung Cho is leading work as project manager. A final agreement is being drafted. MOU reflects intention of the partnership to move forward. Y. Bhatia also advised board of meeting with GPISD board on December 16 th .	Upon motion by D. Marshall and seconded by R. Ray, the MOU was approved by the board.	
Revision to Transfer Policy	Ann Stevenson presented the proposed changes to the transfer policy to clear up questions regarding number of transfer openings and date for submitting requests.	Upon motion by R. Ray and seconded by M. McNeil, the revised policy was approved by the board.	
Consolidation of Charters	Yasmin Bhatia gave an update on the charter consolidation and the recommendation to consolidate into one charter, with North Hills being the surviving charter. The board discussed benefits and risks of consolidation, but after discussion, agreed that consolidation into one charter is best choice.	Upon motion by R. Ray and seconded by J. Terry, the board approved the resolution to consolidate into one charter.	Continue discussions with TEA to accomplish consolidation.
Year 2 – Improvement Plans	A resolution to approve the Year 2 Improvement Plans for Uplift Mighty and Williams Middle School were presented to the board. The improvement work is going well and Uplift expects to be out of IR plan next year.	Upon motion by C. Carter and seconded by M. McNeil, the board approved the resolution as written.	
Finance Report	Stacey Lawrence and Bill Mays gave an overview of the finance report which had been provided to the board in the pre-read. Revenue is down slightly due to under-enrollment in some schools and due to a CTE reporting error (which will be fixed). Audit Committee is working with finance to make changes to the cash balance report.		
Adjournment	There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.		

Respectfully submitted by: Ann Stevenson