

**Advantage Academy of Miami, Inc.
d/b/a
Advantage Academy of Math and Science at Waterstone
The Charter School at Waterstone
Everglades Preparatory Academy
Everglades Preparatory Academy High School
Palm Glades Preparatory Academy
Palm Glades Preparatory Academy High School
Summerville Advantage Academy
Doral International Math and Science Academy**

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

**Location: Everglades Preparatory Academy
November 14, 2019**

Present at Meeting

Shirlynn Webb – AAM Chairman
Dalila Ruiz – Board Member
Helena Del Monte – Board Member
Bassem Iskandarani – Board Member
Victoria Gomez – Principal, Doral Int’l Math and Science Academy
Dr. Laura Ferreira Vesga – Principal, Palm Glades Preparatory Academy
Aida Marrero – Principal, Everglades Preparatory Academy/High School
Archalena Coats – Principal, Summerville Advantage Academy
Donna Baggs – Principal, The Charter School at Waterstone
Darlene Escudero – Palm Glades Preparatory Academy
Kelli Barrios – The Charter School at Waterstone
Aishia McQueen – Everglades Preparatory Academy
Steven Whittle – Everglades Preparatory Academy
Annie Abella – Administrative Assistant, Everglades Preparatory Academy
Deanne Rodriguez – Administrative Assistant, Board Liaison
Regla Penaranda, Administrative Assistant, Board Liaison
Jeanette Reyes – Administrative Assistant, Board Liaison
Maggie Millian – Administrative Assistant, Board Liaison
Michael Strader – Charter School Associates
Brian Strader – Charter School Associates
Jay Drag – Charter School Associates
Ken Green – Charter School Associates
Brian Greseth – Charter School Associates
Joaquin Infante – Charter School Associates
Jennifer McKenna – Advantage Academy of Miami

Meeting called to order at 4:09 p.m. by Shirlynn Webb.

A. Opening Exercises

Shirlynn Webb, Board Member, asked the Board to review and approve the meeting minutes from the last governing board meeting. Dalila Ruiz motioned approval of minutes. Bassema Iskandarani seconded the motion to approve the minutes. All were in favor. Motion passed.

B. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

C. Annual Meeting and Election of Corporate Officers

ANNUAL MEETING - Ms. Webb called the annual corporation meeting to order and asked for the election of officers. Helena Del Monte nominated Shirlynn Webb for the position of President and Dalila Ruiz seconded the nomination. Ms. Webb nominated Bassema Iskandarani for the position of Vice President and Ms. Ruiz seconded. Ms. Webb nominated Dalila Ruiz for the position of Treasurer/Secretary and Ms. Del Monte seconded. The corporate officer positions were voted on as nominated and all positions were filled as nominated without dissent. Ms. Webb called the annual meeting to a close to continue with the regular scheduled governing board meeting.

D. Principal Reports –

Charter School at Waterstone – Ms. Baggs reported on many activities at the school including Data and Dine for 3rd grade students and families and the Veteran’s Day luncheon. Many Dad’s participated in Dad’s bring your child to work day and Reading with Mom’s was a success.

Doral International Academy- Mrs. Gomez reported the school open houses were all a success in the beginning of the year and honor roll assemblies have begun. The students raised a lot of money for the Kids Heart Challenge. Upcoming events include the book fair and Science projects.

Everglades Preparatory Academy – Ms. Marrero reported reported on many activities at the school including the homecoming and Halloween dance. The honor roll assemblies will be celebrated tomorrow.

Palm Glades Preparatory Academy – Dr. Vesga reported the culinary students went on a field trip to Johnson and Wales. The school hosted a successful career fair and there was a college tour for high school students.

Summerville Advantage Academy – Mrs. Archalena Coats reported on upcoming activities at the school.

E. Information Items

1. Mr. Strader presented the monthly financial report for the preceding months to the board and reminded Board members that CSA's finance department prepares the financial reports that are sent to board members and any questions regarding monthly financial reports may be directed to Ms. Merced at any time.
2. Brian Strader reported on the FY 19 school audits.
3. Brian Strader reported on the FY 19 AAM, Inc. single audit.
4. FEMA Agreement Amendment – Hurricane Irma was discussed.
5. Mr. Strader reported on the charter renewals for DIAMS and AAMS/CSW.
6. Brian Strader discussed the merger/consolidation between AAMS/CSW and CSW and introduced prior discussion on the subject including a report of the meeting M. Strader had with MDCPS Charter Office.
7. Mr. Green and Mr. Drag reported on the mental health and School Safety plans including eLuma.
 - a. Board members requested a review of the MH plan by the board's counsel.
8. Mr. Infante updated the board on technology.
9. Mr. Strader discussed the School Lunch update.
10. Dr. Vesga reported on the Palm Glades School Improvement Plan.
11. Brian Strader reported on the FY20 Budget update.
12. A copy of the 2019-2020 student handbook, employee handbook, and parent handbook were included in each board member's board packet. The board reviews and approves these handbooks each year.
13. A copy of the 2019-2020 board meeting schedule, liaison designee, school calendar and teacher waivers were included in the board member packet for approval.

F. Consent Agenda Items

The following consent items were moved to the floor for consideration by the board.

1. Approval of Purchase Orders and Agreements
2. Ratify FY19 School Audits
3. Ratify FY19 AAM, Inc. Single Audit
4. Ratify Merger/Consolidation Resolution, AAMS CSW/CSW
5. Approve Safe Schools Allocation Budgets
6. Ratify Palm Glades School Improvement Plan
7. Approve updated meal charge policy on behalf of the School Food Program
8. Approve updates and amendment to Title 1 Budgets
9. Approve updates and amendment to UNISIG Grant budget
10. Approve Parent/Student Handbooks 2019-2020
11. Approve Employee Handbook 2019-2020
12. Approve 2019-2020 Board Meeting Schedule
13. Approve 2019-2020 Board Roster, Board Designee(s)
14. Approve 2019-2020 School Calendars
15. Approve 2019-2020 Teacher Waivers (Exhibit A)
16. Ratify FY20 Budgets (distributed after meeting)

- 17. Ratify eLuma agreement
- 18. Ratify restart grant program application and request to MDCPS

Ms. Ruiz motioned to approve the consent agenda items and Ms. Iskandarani seconded the motion. All consent items approved unanimously.

G. Items Scheduled for Action & Discussion

- a. No items reported.

H. Board Member Reports

- a. No items reported.

Meeting adjourned at

Approved and Accepted



Board Chair

11-14-19

Date