

DISCOVERY EDUCATION SERVICES INC.,  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 27, 2017

6:00 PM

at Orlando Science Middle/High Charter School

Schools:

Orlando Science Middle/High School

Orlando Science Elementary School

Seminole Science Charter School

Osceola Science Charter School

AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the agenda items
3. Approval of June 16, 2017 meeting minutes
4. Principals report
5. Executive Director report

6. Public remarks

DISCUSSION ITEM

- 6a. Employee Matters

ACTION ITEMS

7. Request Approval of Out of Field Teachers & Letters
8. Request Approval of Term Note of United Legacy Bank & Account signer
9. Request Approval Pre-Development Agreement with Building Hope
10. Request Approval of board member Shannon Littrell
11. Request Approval of Board Meeting Dates

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## 12. Closure of the meeting

### Items/Issues motioned and voted by Governing Board Members:

1. Mr. Fortna called the meeting to the order at 6:31PM

#### 2. Approval of the agenda items

- Mr. Sabuncu wanted to add a discussion item about allegations and employment matters of an individual as item.
- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for approval to amend the agenda by inserting item 6a. Ms. He seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### 3. Approval of June 16, 2017 meeting minutes

- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for approval of June 16, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Ms. He seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### 4. Principals report

- *Orlando Science Middle & High Schools Principal; Mr. Yalcin presented his report to the board members. He highlighted the items below:*
  - *OSS will have 28 Instructional, 10 Support Staff and 486 students in grades 7-12 at our Lynx Lane campus.*
  - *2017-18 school year pre-planning was held on August 7<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>.*
  - *OSS had Summer Institute professional development for beginning and first year teachers. Five OSS middle/high teachers participated in this teacher preparation program.*
  - *The school year for students started on Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.*
  - *The following important events and activities were held at the school.*
    - *Orientation Day was held on Saturday, August 12th.*
    - *On August 18<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Moon, one of our math teacher at Orlando Science Middle High was honored by the Mathematical Association of America (MAA) in August with the Edyth May Sliffe Award for distinguished mathematics teaching at the middle and high school levels.*
    - *FIRST FTC and FRC Robotics Parent Day was held on Saturday, August 26th, 2017.*
    - *Curriculum Night was held on Tuesday August 29th, 2017 for Grades 7th -12<sup>th</sup>*
  - *On August 30th, Orlando Science Middle High received the formal certification of Accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), an accreditation division of AdvancED. This action was taken at the AdvancED Accreditation Commission meeting held in Orlando, FL on April 10th, 2017. Orlando Science Middle High has been accredited since 2011.*
  - *Saturday September 23rd, 2017: Orlando Science Middle High held its annual welcome picnic.*
  - *In 2017-18 school year, OSS Middle/High is excited to offer five additional AP classes: AP American Government and Politics, AP Macro Economics, AP Environmental Science, AP Computer Science A, and AP Psychology.*
- *Seminole Science Charter School Principal: Mr. Aksu presented his report to the board members and highlighted the below topics:*

- *SSCS started the school year with 498 students and 45 staff members.*
  - *SSCS received an "A" school grade by DOE based on 2016-17 FSA scores.*
  - *SSCS didn't have any major damages after the hurricane Irma, but some minors.*
  - *SSCS will host its first VEX Robotics Competition on Saturday October 21th. The school is working together with Northeastern State University in Oklahoma. Director of NSU robotics program and 5 college of education students will come to visit a week as their internship program and they will also help SSCS to host this competition. They will also observe SSCS teachers during the week of October 16th.*
- *Osceola Science Charter School Principal; Mr. Cetin presented his report to the board members. He highlighted the items below:*

<b>Enrollment Numbers for 2017-2018</b>	
<i>Grade</i>	<i>Total</i>
Kindergarten	39
First Grade	76
Second Grade	42
Third Grade	61
Fourth Grade	56
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>274</b>

- *Welcome Picnic: about 350 people (students and parents) participated in the picnic.*
- *Congressman Soto's visit: He visited OSCS on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017.*
- *Grandparents Night: About 120 attendees came for the night.*
- *MAP testing and STAR Testing: Students took the tests.*
- *Hurricane Irma: Hurricane did not cause any damage to OSCS building.*
- *Hispanic Heritage Night Planned and will be held at OSCS on October 12, 2017.*
- *Osceola County School District will update the school calendar after Hurricane Irma recovery.*

## **5. Executive Director report**

- Dr. Akin reported on over all campus updates. He stated that this is our 10<sup>th</sup> year in operation in Orange County. Our school system grew from 100 students around 2,200 students. Currently, we are operating 4 charters in 5 campus buildings. Orlando Science High School building and Osceola Science Charter School K-8 campus construction projects are progressing very well with Building Hope.

## **6. Public remarks**

- No one in the audience made a comment or question

- 6a. Board members discussed employment matters and allegations which were made by an individual. The school attorney was present in the meeting. A road map was laid out the steps to handle the matters and it was the conclusion that the school attorney will handle the case and report back to the board.

## ACTION ITEMS

### 7. Request Approval of Out of Field Teachers & Letters

- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for Approval of Out of Field Teachers & Letters. Ms. He seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

### 8. Request Approval of Term Note of United Legacy Bank & Account signer

- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for Approval of Term Note of United Legacy Bank and Account signer. . Mr. Fortna seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

### 9. Request Approval Pre-Development Agreement with Building Hope

- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for Pre-Development Agreement with Building Hope. Ms. He seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

### 10. Request Approval of board member Shannon Littrell

- Ms. He moved the motion for Approval of Ms. Shannon Littrell as a board member. Mr. Sabuncu seconded. **The motion was approved unanimously.**

### 11. Request Approval of Board Meeting Dates

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### 12. Closure of the meeting

- Mr. Sabuncu moved the motion for closure of the meeting and Ms. He seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM

Mr. Ibrahim Sabuncu

Ms. Sharon Akdeniz

Mr. David Fortna

Ms. Juan He