**Board of Directors Minutes**

**Everglades Preparatory Academy**

**May 24, 2023**

The Everglades Preparatory Academy Board of Directors met at 1:00 p.m. on May 24, 2023. Location: 360 East Main Street Building “C” Pahokee, Florida 33476.

Members in attendance were:

Board Members                         Staff

X Emilia Fanjul             X Linda Johnson Earsley

X Joseph Galardi \_\_Sheila Bynes

X Angela Pope (Via Phone) X Julie Stewart

X Maureen Johnston

X Christopher McDermott (Via Phone)

X Charles Shaw (Via Phone)

X Vivian White (Via Phone)

Also, in attendance

X Ralph Arza, Arza Consultant (via Phone)

X Tony Arza, Arza Consultant (via Phone)

X Lesa Hamilton (Via phone)

Senior Financial Analyst

Eduserve Solutions

Board Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Emilia Fanjul, Board Chair at 1:05 p.m.

Public Comment- There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes from April 19, 2023:

Charles Shaw made the motion. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion to approve April 19,2023 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

\_X\_\_ Minutes Approved

\_\_\_\_ Minutes Not Approved

\_\_\_\_ Corrections/Changes: None

**Agenda:**

a. ​ The Agenda was presented and reviewed by the Board. ​

Reports:

*A.​ ​ Chairperson – Emilia Fanjul​*

1. Principal Evaluation and Contract-defer until June Board meeting.

*B. Principal’s Report​*

1. Enrollment – 138 students

2. Attendance - weekly attendance percentage: 78%

3. FY23/24 Student Recruitment- 96 students returning, and 29 student is the recruitment goal. Total enrollment is 125.

4. FY23/24 Teacher/Staff Recruitment- teacher recruitment: OPEN contract- (1) Reading teacher. Interviewing potential candidates. All the other staff positions are filled.

5. Graduation- May 24, 2022 @ 4:30pm. Location: Eddie Lee Rhodes Gymnasium Pahokee, Florida

6. Summer School: June 5-29, 2023 (4) weeks

C. *Assistant Principal – Julie Stewart*

* Mrs. Stewart shared testing data from the Florida Civics Literacy Exam and Progress Monitoring 3 for Math and ELA and EOC Retakes. Students show growth.
* Mrs. Stewart shared the results of the senior survey that was developed by Ms. Franco and Ms. Mendenhall.
* Mrs. Stewart shared the current graduation data:

There are 38 Seniors in the Class of 2023

* Currently EPA Graduation Rate is 79%. (We are still waiting on more SAT/ACT Results)
* There are a total of 30 Seniors out of 38 seniors that are eligible to graduate with a standard diploma currently.
* 4 out of the 30 Seniors who met all the other requirements for graduation except passing a statewide Reading and/or Math test were approved for an ESE waiver.
* There are a total of 6 Seniors out of 38 seniors that are eligible to receive a certificate of completion currently due to not meeting one or more of the testing requirements.
* 2 Seniors will be retained due to credits and testing requirements.

Total Seniors that have met the math requirement to date: 37.

Total Seniors that have met the reading requirement to date: 30.

*D. Legislative Updates – Ralph Arza*

1. Ralph Arza and Tony Arza gave legislative updates.

*E. Old Business​*

1. Next year’s curriculum – Coding, and Horticultural/ Farming- deferred until September Board meeting.

2. FY 23 Desktop Review/ESE Focus- Everglades Preparatory Academy met the standard rating based on observable compliance metrics found in Charter Tools, SIS, and other data sources.

F. New Business

1. Assistant Principal Evaluation and Contract

2. Teacher’s Evaluation and Contract

3. School Property Insurance- Principal Earsley attached the 23-24 property policy at a cost of $10,091.35. Principal Earsley stated that we shopped various insurance companies for the renewal of the school coverage. The next best price for the coverage would be with Maxum Insurance Company at a cost of $14,807.05.

*G. Financia Report* (**#7)** *--------------------------------------------------------Eduserve*

1. Monthly Financials – EduServe presented to the Board a PowerPoint for April 2023 financials. The Board reviewed and discussed the Balance Sheet and the YTD Budget vs. the Actual Financial Statement, both summary and detail.

2. Budget FY2023/FY2024- the Board reviewed and discussed FY2023-FY2024 Budget.

3. 990 Form- the Board reviewed and discussed 2021 Form 990.

H. Action Item

1. Principal’s Contract- Defer until June Board Meeting.

2. Budget FY2023/FY2024-Joseph Galardi made the motion to approve the FY2023-FY2024 Budget. Maureen Johnston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

♦ Unanimously approved​

The meeting adjourned at 2:17pm

♦ Approved by *\_\_\_Charles E Shaw\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_​*

Charles “Chuck” Shaw, As Secretary

Date \_\_6/20/23\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_