

PAUL CUFFEE SCHOOL

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MAY 6, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Paul Cuffee School was held on May 6, 2014

at the Paul Cuffee Lower School in Providence, Rhode Island.

Present: Su Almeida, Darline Berrios, David Burnham, Russell Carey, Tom Chen, Allyn Copp, Dorothy Fields, Crystal Gantz, Robert Kelley, Keith Mathews, Leeds Mitchell IV, Alex Molina, Joop Nagtegaal, Kim Noble, Carolyn Pemberton, Abraham Pinales, Earl Smith III, Babak Taleghani

Absent: Stefano Crema, Phil Gould, Dorothy Patrick, Gisele Polanco

Paul Cuffee Staff: Derrick Ciesla, Becky Coustan, Maria Monteiro, Maria Palmgren, Wendy Randle

Absent: Jon Conklin, Rudy Moseley

President Russell Carey called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm. After a moment of silence, Mr. Carey announced that the Board would be asked to vote on the Head of School (HOS) Search Committee's recommendation for the Head of School, Mr. Christopher Haskins. Mr. Carey asked HOS Search Committee Co-Chairs Mr. Earl Smith and Ms. Kim Noble to update the Board of the search process and

recommendation. Mr. Smith and Ms. Noble outlined the entire search process, including the job posting, pool of applicants, identification of qualified candidates, and subsequent rigorous interviews.

Mr. Babak Taleghani thanked Ms. Noble and Mr. Smith for their dedication and commitment of chairing the HOS Search Committee, and Mr. Carey extended his and the Board's gratitude to the entire HOS Search Committee.

Mr. Taleghani made a motion, seconded by Mr. Leeds Mitchell, to approve Mr. Haskins as the Head of School, and the Board unanimously approved the motion.

Following the approval, Mr. Carey explained that a transitioning process will be developed for Mr. Haskins, and asked that those reporting directly to the Head of School help support Mr. Haskins, as well as the Board. Mr. Carey expressed gratitude to Ms. Wendy Randle for her service as Interim Head of School and thanked her for her leadership. Mr. Carey also stated that communication about the Head of School will be shared with the entire Paul Cuffee community within the next 24 hours.

Adjournment

There being no further business coming before the Board, Ms. Carolyn Pemberton moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mathews, and the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Palmgren