



Vision

Empowering students to explore global learning opportunities to promote and enrich their communities and the communities we serve.

~

Purpose

Somerset Academy, Inc. promotes a transformational culture that maximizes student achievement and the development of accountable, global learners in a safe and enriching environment that fosters high-quality education.

Meeting of the Board of Directors November 13, 2020

Board of Directors

Todd German (Board Chair / Treasurer) *(Present)*
Ana Diaz (Vice-Chair / Secretary / Parent) *(Present)*
David Concepcion *(Present)*
Dr. Bernard Kimmel *(Present)*
Matthew Cox (Texas) *(Present)*

Non-Voting Officers

Bernie Montero, President *(Present)*
Suzette Ruiz, Vice-President *(Present)*

Board Counsel

Charles Gibson, Esq. *(Present)*
Eleni Pantaridis, Esq. *(Present)*

In an effort to allow greater public participation and to best accommodate stakeholders, this meeting is being held via communications media technology with physical access sites at each of the individual school campuses throughout Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Duval, Jefferson and Monroe Counties.

Minutes

1. Opening Exercises

- a. Called to Order
- b. Established a Quorum
- c. Special Congratulations to Alex Prieto and Kim Guilarte for being honored today as National Blue Ribbon School Award Winners.
- d. Special welcome to the new Superintendent of Jefferson County
- e. Reminder that Principals must report all COVID cases or issues to Kelly Mallon or Julio Robaina.

2. Public Comment

- a. There were no comments by the public.

3. Consent Agenda

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the October 16, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Resolutions for Out of Field Waiver(s) for Instructional Personnel with Out of Field Assignments.
- c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify all Teacher Salary Increase Plans as submitted in each district.
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Temporary Extension of Certificate: Kelly Campbell at Somerset Academy SoHo
- e. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Revised Title 1 Budgets for the school located in Miami-Dade.
- f. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Title 1 Schoolwide Plans for the schools located in Broward County.
- g. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the School Improvement Plans for the individual schools, as necessary.

Motion to approve the consent agenda by David Concepcion; second by Ana Diaz; motion passed unanimously

4. Action & Discussion Items

- a. Updates by Academica and Colegia (*Julio Robaina & Antonio Roca*)
 - i. Update on contact tracing; discussed the offering of virtual education in the Spring is still pending at the state level.
 - ii. Update on Colegia health screening regarding international travel; persons who say they have traveled internationally will be cleared to go to school, however the school will receive a notice of the travel to determine next steps; general updates.
 - iii. Discussed a Colegia Resolution which allows the Board to formally adopt Colegia.
- b. Financial Report
 - i. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed and approved the Revised 2020-2021 Annual Budgets.
 1. 2500 overall student increase in 2019-2020
 2. Discussed St. Lucie budgets; College Prep has a deficit due to the ongoing construction; Alina states that the 5 year budgets look good.

Motion to approve by Ana Diaz; second by David Concepcion; motion passed unanimously
- c. Other Items by Board Members, Staff, or ESP

5. Announcements & Notifications

- a. Next Board Meeting: December 11th

6. Adjourn Meeting

The undersigned hereby certified that he/she is an Officer and/or Director of SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on December 11, 2020.

