

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
SOUTHLAND COLLEGE PREP CHARTER SCHOOL, INC.
March 19, 2018**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of Southland College Prep Charter School, Inc. (the "Corporation" or "Southland") was held pursuant to notice as required by the Illinois Open Meetings Act, and said meeting was held as follows:

Date: March 19, 2018

Time: 6:32 p.m.

Place: Matteson School District 162
4601 Sauk Trail
Richton Park, IL 60471

Directors Present:

Ronald Bean, President
Alicia Rodman McCray, Vice President
Kevin Murphy, Secretary
Dr. Blondean Y. Davis
Dr. Barbara Radner

Absent:

Dr. Vinni Hall

Also Present:

Craig Englert, chief financial officer
Dr. Bryan Hale
Linda Disney
Sherry Grutzius
Robert Lane
Dr. Sandra Thomas
Denise Faris

I. Audience to Visitors

No person attending the meeting wished to address the Board.

II. Motion made by Director Radner and seconded by Director Murphy to approve engagement for auditing services for the year ending June 30, 2018.

President Bean related that this item refers to the approval of RSM US LLP as auditor for Southland, which it has been for several years. He noted the letter of engagement in the Directors' packets. President Bean also pointed out that the body of the letter incorrectly

noted 2017 as the year for the services, rather than 2018. Mr. Englert said he would correct the dates that were in error.

Upon the motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS:

RESOLVED, engagement for auditing services for the year ending June 30, 2018 was approved.

III. Motion made by Director Murphy and seconded by Director Radner to approve the Transportation Contract with Kickert School Bus for the 2018-2019 School Year.

President Bean pointed out that the Directors' packets contain information outlining the scope of the contract with Kickert.

Upon the motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS:

RESOLVED, the Transportation Contract with Kickert School Bus for the 2018-2019 School year was approved.

IV. Motion made by Director Rodman McCray and seconded by Director Davis to authorize Southland to participate in an E-Rate consortium entitled the "Matteson-Southland Consortium" together with Matteson School District No. 162 and to execute such forms and documents as may be required to permit the Matteson-Southland Consortium to apply for E-Rate funding for Telecommunications and Internet Access services on behalf of the District for E-Rate Funding Year 2018, which commences on July 1, 2018 and ends on June 30, 2019.

Dr. Davis said she understood that E-Rate was being phased out. Mr. Englert responded that the telecommunication portion of the program is being phased out over a three year period, but the Internet connectivity portion of the E-Rate Program is still in place. Mr. Englert noted that Southland is seeking the E-Rate funds to upgrade the wireless infrastructure in the 4601 Sauk Trail facility.

Upon the motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS:

RESOLVED, Southland's participation in an E-Rate consortium entitled the "Matteson-Southland Consortium" together with Matteson School District No. 162 and to execute such forms and documents as may be required to permit the Matteson-Southland Consortium to apply for E-Rate funding for Telecommunications and Internet Access services on behalf of the District for E-Rate Funding Year 2018, which commences on July 1, 2018 and ends on June 30, 2019, is authorized.

V. Motion made by Director Radner and seconded by Director Rodman McCray to approve the following Personnel Matters:

- a. At-will employment of Ms. Jennifer L. Day as a paraprofessional during the 2017-2018 school year, pursuant to the terms of an employment agreement to be entered on behalf of the Parties.
- b. At-will employment of Dr. Sandra L. Thomas as Executive Assistant to Southland's Chief Executive Officer during the 2017-2018 school year, pursuant to the terms of an employment agreement to be entered on behalf of the Parties.
- c. Resignation of Mr. Andrew Reid, teacher, effective March 20, 2018.
- d. The termination of the employment of Employee D effective February 15, 2018.

Upon the motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS:

RESOLVED, the Personnel Matters were approved.

VI. Motion made by Director Rodman McCray and seconded by Director Murphy that the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors on February 12, 2018 be approved.

Upon the motion duly made, seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 YEAS, 0 NAYS:

RESOLVED, the minutes of meeting on February 12, 2018 were approved.

VII. Report from the Chief Executive Officer

Dr. Davis related that she could view the construction of the Performing Arts Center from her office window. She asked Mark Walczak, Director of Building and Grounds, and Gaspare Pitrello, associate principal of ARCON, to give an update on the project. Mr. Walczak said things were going well and the project was slightly ahead of schedule. He said that a steel structure should be erected around the second week of April. Mr. Pitrello distributed to the Board members an artist's rendering of the proposed music room. The rendering included two options: one option features burgundy walls and floors without wood-like tile; another option has olive walls and a floor with wood-like tile. Both options include separate practice rooms.

Dr. Davis reported that the speech team would compete in the state tournament for championship honors. She said the students performed their piece at Reverend Meeks' church, Salem Baptist Church, and they did a wonderful job.

Dr. Davis also advised the Board that Southland is preparing for the Spring Festival which will occur on Thursday, March 22, 2018. Dr. Davis noted that the festival will be streaming live for people who are unable to attend in person.

Dr. Davis then advised the Board that Southland's students staged a walk-out in support of the students at the Parkland high school that was attacked by a lone gunman who killed 17 people. She said the students' reasons for participating included:

- To call attention to the fact that stricter gun laws are needed
- Better gun legislation is needed at both the state and federal levels
- Young people's voices need to be heard

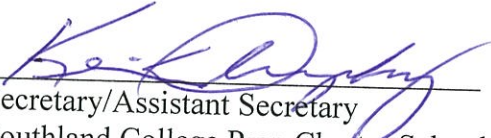
Dr. Davis noted that the student walk-out was orderly, with many faculty members joining the students in support of stricter gun legislation.

Next, Dr. Davis noted that Southland had held its annual student enrollment lottery on March 14, 2108. Dr. Davis said the lottery was technically perfect, but emotional. Dr. Davis noted that there were more children seeking entrance to Southland than the school could handle. She said there were 125 seats available and 37 of those seats were taken by siblings of current Southland students. There were 337 applicants. The lottery event was streamed live.

Dr. Davis distributed a copy of the Charter Commission's report, which discussed the 2016-2017 school year. Dr. Davis advised that, at the next meeting of the Board of Directors, she would provide the Board with a report including definitive data regarding the current school year.

VIII. President Bean adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Dated this 21st day of May 2018.


Secretary/Assistant Secretary
Southland College Prep Charter School, Inc.