

**Goodwill Arkansas Education Initiatives, Inc.**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 25, 2018**

**Presiding:** Margaret Ellibee, Chair

**Members Present:** Chris Amsler  
Margaret Bates  
Jonathan Crossley, Vice-Chair  
Margaret Ellibee  
William Gaddy (via teleconference)  
Denise Luft (via teleconference)  
Brian Marsh

**Members Not Present:** Cassandra Green  
Douglas Jackson

**Staff:** Tomiko Davis  
Kim Fox  
Kim Kight  
Becky Lockett  
Sylvia Murchison  
Cindy Varner  
Carloas Wilson

### **Call to Order**

**Chair Margaret Ellibee** called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. in the Goodwill Board Room at 7400 Scott Hamilton Road, Little Rock, Arkansas. **Chair Ellibee** called roll and recognized a quorum with seven of nine members present.

### **Item 1: Minutes of the March 15, 2018 Meeting**

**William Gaddy** made a motion to approve the minutes. **Chris Amsler** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Item 2: Operations Report**

**Cindy Varner** shared a mission moment about a student that was attending the school.

**Tomiko Davis**, School Director; **Becky Lockett**, Lead Life Coach/Registrar; **Carloas Wilson**, Lead Teacher, and **Kim Fox**, Assistant Director for the Drop In Center, provided a report on school terms one through three. Their written report is included on pages four through seven of the agenda.

- **Current Enrollment Statistics**
  - Term 4 began April 24 and will end on June 14

- Term began with 91 students
- Term 3 began with 86 students and ended with 64 students, a 74% retention rate
- 204 students have been enrolled to date in The Excel Center
- Two (2) potential graduates have been identified for December 2018

**Tomiko Davis** presented the 2018-2019 school calendar. **Brian Marsh** made a motion to approve the 2018-2019 school calendar. **Jonathan Crossley** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Item 3: Financial Report**

**Sylvia Murchison** provided a financial report for The Excel Center providing the following information: Consolidated Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Fund Balances, Summary of Revenue, Summary of Expenditures, and a Bank Reconciliation for the month of March 2018. As of March 31, 2018, The Excel Center had monthly expenditures of \$67,770 and cumulative expenditures totaling \$701,987. **Sylvia Murchison** made note that the total revenue for the month included a \$2 donation to the school. **Chris Amsler** made a motion to approve the financial reports. **Brian Marsh** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Item 4: Advisory Council**

**Brian Marsh** reported that the council would meet in April. He stated that the following individuals had agreed to serve on the council:

- Senator Joyce Elliott
- Holt McConnell
- Heather Nelson
- Christina Sanders
- Anthony Hampton
- Pastor Jeff Dial

### **Item 5: New Business/Announcements**

**Chair Ellibee** announced that the next meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2018. She stated that the Arkansas Department of Education is hosting the quarterly Governance Roundtable that same evening from 4-6 pm. Due to the conflict, the board meeting will be cancelled so that members have an opportunity to gain Professional Development credits. She reminded members that each member must have nine hours of professional development before December 31.

**Chair Ellibee** announced that members were invited to attend the Goodwill Week Community Leader Breakfast on May 11, which will focus on educating community leaders about The Excel Center.

### **Item 6: Adjournment**

With no new business being brought forward, **Chair Ellibee** requested a motion to adjourn. **Denise Luft** made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. **Chris Amsler** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.



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Chair Signature

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Date

Cindy Varner  
Board Recorder