



**THE MIAMI BOARDING SCHOOL, INC.
(DBA The SEED School of Miami)**

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

Wednesday, July 29, 2020 | 9:00 a.m.

Participating Directors: Melanie Damian, Dorothy Terrell, Tom Culmo, Virginia Emmons, Tery J. Medina

Participating Staff: Kara Locke, Tiffany Graver-Smith

Participating SEED Foundation Staff: Lesley Poole

Call to Order & Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. SEED Miami's Head of School, Dr. Locke, welcomed members to this meeting.

School Start Date & SY 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

Dr. Locke provided the Board with an update on The SEED School of Miami's reopening plans for the 2020-2021 academic year. In consultation with The SEED Foundation and school staff, SEED Miami has identified the best path forward as a school start date of September 8, 2020.

This date allows for the following:

1. Proper training of all staff on the school's Innovative Learning Plan, school systems and procedures, and progress monitoring expectations (3 weeks)
2. Proper time for faculty and students/ families to make necessary preparations to work/home dynamics to fully implement the reopening plan requirements
3. An opportunity to host all families on site for distribution of new devices, equipment, and materials for the implementation of the school's Innovative Learning Plan
4. An opportunity for the health of our community to continue to improve

A breakdown of August dates is as follows:

- August 13 & August 14, 2020: SEED Summit (National Professional Learning Conference)
- August 17- September 4, 2020: Staff Training on Innovative Learning Plan
- August 17, 29, 25, 27: Technology & curricular materials distribution at school site for parents

A draft 2020-2021 calendar was provided to the board electronically.

A motion to approve a later start date, and a modified 2020-2021 school calendar was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Lastly, the Board agreed to move it's first quarterly board meeting from September 9th to September 16th.

Dr. Locke agreed to provide an update to the board with next steps following the Superintendent's announcement for MDCPS schools, and after further conversation with the Charter School Support Office regarding the school's proposed reopening plan.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am.

Minutes drafted by Tiffany Graver-Smith



Melanie Damian, Esquire
Chair, The SEED School of Miami Board of Directors

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on September 16, 2020.