

READ FOUNDATION

Memphis School of Excellence

Board of Directors

Regular Board Meeting

Date :Saturday, April 13, 2024

Time :12:00 PM

Location :MSE Central Office, 5885 Ridgeway Center Pkwy, suite #100, Memphis, TN 38120

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MINUTES

1. Welcome and call to order

These are the minutes of the board of directors of the Read Foundation (referred to as "Foundation"), a non-profit corporation. This meeting was held on April 13th, 2024, at noon at 5885 Ridgeway Center Pkwy, Memphis, TN, 38120, in the Meeting Room.

Present: Dr. David Akdemir, Dr. Cem Akkus, Veda Cherry, Patty Farmer, Dr. Ismail Fidan, Dr. Richard Potts. Directors present Ms.Ward, Ms.Cottle,Mr.Henderson, and Mr.Genturck.

2. Spotlight of the student group (Cordova Cheer)

3. Attendance and quorum

The following members of the board were Dr. David Akdemir, Dr. Cem Akkus, Veda Cherry, Patty Farmer, Dr. Ismail Fidan, Dr. Richard Potts. Non-voting members present were Dr. Beyhan, Mr. Ayci,Ms. Ward, Ms. Cottle, Mr. Henderson, Mr.Gencturk. Attorney present Will Patterson.

4. **Public Comments**

The Board has allocated 10 minutes for public comment. Speakers were allocated 2 minutes to speak. There was no public comments

5. **Director's report**

The Executive Director provided his report to the board.

6. **Approval of the previous meeting minutes (December 9, 2024)**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves the previous meeting minutes from December 9th, 2023.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye

Akkus: Aye

Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

7. **Approval of previously reviewed/approved agenda items by board members via email**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves the previously reviewed and approved agenda items, herein listed as agenda items 7.A-7.B.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye

Akkus: Aye

Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

A. **2024-25 school calendar**

B. **TFA Agreement 2024-25**

8. **Approval of awarding of purchases and contracts**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves awarding of purchases and contracts outlined in agenda items 8.A - 8.N.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye
Akkus: Aye
Cherry: Aye
Farmer: Aye
Fidan: Aye
Potts: Aye

- A. **24-25 AY Test Prep Renewal - Progress Learning**
- B. **24-25 HS ELA Curriculum - Into Literature**
- C. **24-25 Renewal of Benchmark Advance**
- D. **HMH Science Renewal for 24-25 AY**
- E. **NWEA MAP Universal Screener for 24-25**
- F. **Relay Grad School of Education PD services**
- G. **Teach Like a Champion (TLAC) contract extension**
- H. **CityYear contract extension**
- I. **Central office lease extension agreement**
- J. **SchoolWorks amended agreement approval**
- K. **Harmony partner school agreement amendment**
- L. **Caissa contract**
- M. **Uniform contract extension**
- N. **Opening Health insurance bank account. (Central Bank)**

9. **Approval of 24-25 Renewal of iReady Math**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves 24-25 Renewal of iReady Math, K-8 Math Curriculum.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye
Akkus: Aye
Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

10. **Approval of the policy updates and changes**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves the policy updates and changes outlined in agenda items 9.A-9.E.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye

Akkus: Aye

Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

A. **MSCS policies adoption resolution**

B. **Retention and promotion policy updates**

C. **Educator background check policy**

D. **Capital Asset Depreciation Policy, addition to the Internal Controls Manual**

E. **Compensation Manual updates**

11. **Approval of the Audit FY 2023**

It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves the Audit Form 990 FY 2023.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye

Akkus: Aye

Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

12. **Discussion of NSE application**

13. **Closing remarks and adjournment**

On a motion duly made and seconded, by a vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, and 0 abstaining, the Board of Directors voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:00p.m. It is recommended that the Read Foundation board approves to end the April 13th board meeting.

Motion: Cherry

Second: Farmer

Roll Call:

Akdemir: Aye

Akkus: Aye

Cherry: Aye

Farmer: Aye

Fidan: Aye

Potts: Aye

Dr. Richard Potts, President