

THE EXCEL CENTER, LLC
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING
AUGUST 3, 2020

MINUTES

The Board of Directors of The Excel Center, LLC met at 8:30 a.m. August 3, 2020 via Zoom conference call. Present were:

Gita Baker
Claudia Cummings
Rich Horn
Kent Kramer
Jay Oliver
Doris Pryor

Staff/Other:

Shelley Ashley	Sylvia Lauer
Nigel Bryant	Christina Lear
Bustamante, Katie	Corenn Lorenzini
Ivan Cropper	Brandon Marks
Anne Davis	Kim Myers
Betsy Delgado	Dan Riley
Steve Dillon	Dan Scott
Sheila Dollaske	Tyler Stewart
Corey Emery	Sarah Thomas
Emily Fritsch	Trenae Thomas
Lynn Greggs	Danielle White
Kelly Hannon	

Board Chair Jay Oliver presided and called the meeting to order.

On a motion by Doris Pryor, duly seconded, the meeting minutes of the April 27 and July 8, 2020 meetings were approved as previously distributed.

Dan Riley gave the Treasurer's report for the period through June 30, 2020. Dan noted the total year-to-date revenue is \$30,759,000, \$1,182,000 ahead of budget and total year-to-date operating income is at a loss of \$2,592,000, \$2,137,000 ahead of budget. Goodwill funding represents reimbursement of incurred expenses from designated funds available to the Excel Centers held by the Foundation. Federal funding has caught up to budget due to review and billing of CSP grant items for Bloomington and Muncie. Other revenue includes E-Rate reimbursement for internet access provided to our students that we typically receive, but do not budget due to uncertainty on the success or timing of claims.

On a motion by Rich Horn, duly seconded, the financial report through June 30 and accounts payable for April, May and June were approved unanimously.

Dan Scott reported on the Excel Center Graduate Update report, highlighting the following:

- Graduation –
 - Despite dealing with a global pandemic, The Excel Center was still able to produce a high number of graduates and was on track to have a record breaking year prior to the pandemic
 - There was only a 2% decline in graduates from the previous year
 - Nearly 5,300 graduates in school history
- Enrollment Snapshot –
 - Current enrollment = 4,226
 - 2019 official enrollment = 4,269
 - 99% of last year's enrollment

Anne Davis reported on an update to the Indiana Charter School's Board timeline, which puts Shelbyville up for the next 5-year renewal.

On a motion by Doris Pryor, duly seconded, the board unanimously approved pursuing the renewal process for the Shelbyville Excel Center.

Corey Emery reported on the re-opening plans, noting full compliance with personal protection equipment such as masks and sanitizer. He commented on staff identifying technology needs and continuing to monitor any updates and recommendations from professionals on a regular basis. In order to stay consistent, all Marion County schools will remain virtual through Term 1 (end of August). The other nine outlying schools will remain on hybrid model.

Katie Bustamante highlighted two examples with the Excel Center Kokomo who is using a fully simulcast 4-day a week version hybrid with in-person, logging into classrooms using Zoom and Google classroom so that students can access same instruction. The West location has shifted to using all remote versus the hybrid of two-day in-person and two-day virtual. These are two examples of the flexibility and changing environment in which the Excel Centers strive to meet all student needs. One on one virtual tutoring and small group meetings are still available.

There was discussion on teacher morale and engagement, preparation and communication as key priorities.

There was further discussion on the coaching model, teacher concerns, reported COVID cases, legislative concerns with potential funding issues and how board members might be able to help. Staff will continue keeping board members abreast of decisions, policies and ways to advocate in support of students/families.

Corey pointed out the The Excel Center Staff Evaluation Plan for 2020-21. This is an annual document brought before the board, which overviews the evaluation and development philosophy and goals. The focus is to develop and grow people in a fair and equitable way.

On a motion by Rich Horn, duly seconded, the board approved the Excel Center Staff Evaluation Plan 2020-21 unanimously.

There were no updates presented from the Mayor's Office.

There was no public comment, and the meeting was adjourned.