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Arkansas Connections Academy, Inc. (ARCA)
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.

Held via teleconference

I. Call to Order

Mr. Beck called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The meeting was open to the public. Mr. Beck conducted a Roll Call.

Board Members Present: Dennis Beck, Virginia Walden Ford and Carla Hartwell;

Guests: Bryce Adams, Melissa Nelson, Andrew Pasquinilli, Stacey DeMarco, Laura Coleman and Heather Woodward; Connections staff (via phone).

II. Routine Business

a. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Beck asked the Board to review the Agenda distributed prior to the meeting. There being no discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Agenda for the December 16, 2015 Arkansas Connections Academy, Inc. Board Meeting, as presented, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval of Minutes from the October 19, 2015 Board Meeting

Board members considered the Minutes from the October 19, 2015 Board Meeting. Mr. Beck asked Board members if they had any recommended changes. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Minutes from the October 19, 2015 Board Meeting, as presented, are hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

III. Oral Reports

a. Update on Charter Application Process

Mr. Adams provided the Board with an update on the charter application. He reviewed the upcoming hearing requested by the State Board of Education (BOE) and preparation efforts. The Board discussed the importance of generating positive press through the school's supporters and welcomed the BOE's feedback. The Board further discussed the importance of all Board members attending the hearing.

IV. Action Items

- a. Approval of Board President to Work with Jennifer Flinn on the RFP Process, Including a Sole Source Determination If Warranted

Mr. Beck reviewed with the Board the need to appoint a Board Designee to work with Jennifer Flinn on the Request for Proposals (RFP) Process, including a Sole Source Determination if warranted. Mr. Beck volunteered as Board Chair as the Board Designee. The Board was supportive of Mr. Beck acting on the Board's behalf in this regard. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Board President to work with Jennifer Flinn on the RFP process, including a sole source determination if warranted, as presented, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

V. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

Mr. Beck noted that the Board was at the end of its agenda and that the next meeting was scheduled to be held at the call of the chair. At 9:15 a.m. the Board made and seconded the following motion:

RESOLVED, that the adjournment of the Arkansas Connections Academy, Inc. December 16, 2015 Board meeting, is hereby approved.

The motion was approved unanimously.