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Board of Trustees Special Meeting

Friday, July 12, 2024 – 1:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

Participating Board Members were: Donald L. Hense, Chair; Victor E. Long, Secretary; Patricia Brantley, Carol Thompson Cole, Unique Fullmore, Eric McKinley King, Deborah McGriff, Jeanette Mendes, and Anise Walker. A quorum was established with the majority of trustees present.

Staff Members in attendance were: Ken Cherry, Chief of Staff; Vielka Scott-Marcus, Chief Academic Officer; Catherine Sanwo, Chief Financial Officer; Kimberly Campbell, Senior Advisor; and Monique Miller, Director of Performance Reporting and Evaluation.

Guest in attendance was Chris Wienk of First Tryon Advisors.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Donald L. Hense, Chair at 1:33 PM.

Board Action: On a motion by Eric McKinley King and second by Anise Walker, the board voted unanimously by roll call to go into closed session to discuss the potential asset acquisition of Eagle Academy Public Charter School. Vote 9-0 in favor.

Closed Session. During closed session, the board explored the feasibility of acquiring the assets of Eagle Academy Public Charter School, including mission alignment and operational and financial feasibility as well as next steps to pursue the potential opportunity, including charter authorizer approval and other due diligence.

Board Action: On a motion by Anise Walker and second by Eric McKinley King the board voted unanimously by roll call to approve staff to pursue an asset acquisition of Eagle Academy PCS and all associated charter amendments. Vote 9-0 in favor.

Board Action: On a motion by Anise Walker and second by Jeanette Mendes the board voted unanimously by roll call to close the executive session and return to the open meeting. Vote 9-0 in favor.

Public Meeting. Monique Miller reported for the public the vote taken by the Friendship PCS Board of Trustees during closed session.

Adjournment. On a motion by Victor Long and second by Eric McKinley King, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to adjourn the meeting at approximately 2:02 PM.