

Baltimore Teacher Network
Board Meeting – Principal Interviews for Board of Directors
October 20, 2015
5:00p

Board Members in Attendance: Matt Wernsdorfer, Shanelle Hopkins, Anthony Pena, Charissa Paige, Ziva Richards, Sherri Howell

Staff in Attendance: Elijah Etheridge, Ron Howell, Kia Harper, Dan Hall, Dimitric Roseboro, Anna Harvey, Leah Abrams, Kim Johnson

Guest: Dr. Tyrone Parker

Open by Matt

Congrats to Elijah and Dr. Howell for an excellent event. Job well done.

What's next? A couple other things coming. Both schools will present their dashboard. Giving a tool on how the school is going from their own target and prospective. Dashboard is a tool for the school to see what is going on in the schools.

Matt

Gala was not about teachers, but about BTN schools and what we do. The teacher voice will take place in the spring to promote teachers, school officials and have a debate or something like that. Will wait to hear the follow up from Elijah and his staff.

Independence

There maybe some budget constraints due to the new findings in the budget. Will reconvene with the executive committee to roll out to the full board.

The previous principal submitted 122 to Baltimore City Public School without the board or ED knowledge and handicapped us from getting to our cap of 136. When I went to North Avenue to ask for more kids, I was told I was fine at the 118 (97% of 122). I had or Mr. Etheridge had no idea that the enrollment request for this school year was 122. This in packs the budget tremendously.

Review of the Beacon of Lights Awards

Elijah asked - How do we get more of our teachers involved? I would like to go around the room and hear from each of you on your thoughts and feedback from the night.

- Sherri Howell – Next year we need to think about those who have to teach the next day. Maybe having it on a Friday or Saturday.
- Charisse Paige – My mother attended and has said nothing but good things to say about the event. My question would be how well did we explain the tangibles of the event?

- Anthony Pena – Lets think about co-sponsorships for the event for next year.
- Shanelle Hopkins – Considering the night of the event may have prevent teachers from coming because it was a weekday.
- Dan Hall – Getting teachers involved and not having it on Thursdays. I think the price of the ticket was too expensive. It could have been \$25.00 and all you can drink.
- Roseboro – I didn't walk away with what BTN does? Is this for my school? More about the mission and the schools.
- Ron – I believe that we could have done better by acknowledging the major donors/sponsors/corporate persons in the room.
- Matt –

Elijah thanked everyone for their comments and will take them into consideration for next year.

Matt

Introduced Ms. Richards to the board. Thank you Ms. Richards for joining us in Ocean City, coming to the Gala and this being your second meeting I think you have shown your interest in being apart of the board.

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OPEN SESSION....

Ziva Richards was unanimously voted on to the board

Ms. Harper (Principal of ConneXions) & Mr. Roseboro (Principal of Independence) presented dashboard presentation. (see attached)