Public Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Universal Institute Charter School Meeting held at 1415 Catherine Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146

December 14, 2017

Board Members Present:

- 1. Mr. Sultan Ahmad
- 2. Mr. Kenneth Gamble
- 3. Mrs. Faatimah Gamble
- 4. Ms. Salima Rabb

Board Members Absent

1. Dr. Emma Chappell

Meeting begin at 6:24PM

Executive Session I.

Information. An executive session was held on December 14, 2017 at 8:00PM. The Board discussed the contract for cleaning services provide to UICS. Minutes from this meeting is available upon request.

II. **Meeting Minutes**

- Board members reviewed the September 28, 2017 meeting minutes and there was some discussion regarding the minutes.
 - a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the minutes from September 28, 2017.
 - b. Mrs. Gamble made a motion to accept and approve the Meeting Minutes from September 28, 2017 and Ms. Rabb second that motion.
 - c. By a majority vote the meeting minutes from September 28, 2017 were approved unanimously.

III. **Public Comments**

No Public Comments

IV. **Monthly Reports**

Principal Report

- 1. Principal Jeffery Williams presented the UICS Principal Report. Board members were given copies of the UICS Principal Report to follow along as Mr. Williams Presented.
- 2. UICS's total enrollment is 640. UICS has a ninety-five (95) percent average of scholars attending daily.
- 3. UICS implements Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) through a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) for behavior. The three (3) tiered system is as follows:

- a) Tier 1- the base level of school behavior that is applied to all scholars as school policy
- b) Tier 2- Supports Dean's List/Dean Dollars. Students are given Student Contract and participate in Community Service.
- c) Tier 3- Scholars receive support through Youth Court, Pears of Wisdom, Boys to Men and Alpha Leadership Academy.
- 4. UICS's MTSS for academics support continues to implement smalls through small data driven target.
- 5. All scholars will be receiving Guided Reading as part of the literacy framework
- 6. Specialist teachers are utilized in the MTSS period to assist with small group instruction.
- 7. UICS has a goal to achieve a ten (10) percent gain in all subject of scholars performing proficient or advanced.
- 8. Instructional Coaches will work along-side with teachers to ensure teachers are self-sufficient. Instructional Coaches will model teachers' lessons.
- 9. Mr. Williams along with AP Waters and UICS Leadership team is having a great start for the 2017-2018 SY.
- 10. UICS had it official walk through from the Charter School Office. The school did very well.
- 11. After school coaches provide tutoring and guided reading support for scolars not reading on grade level.
- 12. There was some discussion regarding the UICS principal report.
- 13. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept the UICS Principal report.
- 14. Ms. Rabb made a motion to accept the report and Mrs. Gamble second that motion.
- 15. By a majority vote the UICS Principal report was accepted unanimously.

ii. UICS FSRC Report

- 1. Mr. Williams presented the UICS FSRC Report.
- 2. FSRC focus areas include:
 - > Student and Family health:
 - ➤ Adult and Parent Education
 - > Professional Growth and Development
 - > Family Support Service

iii. Central Office Education Report

1. There was no Central Education Office report.

V. Board Matters

i. Financial Report

1. **Profit and Loss Statement, Budget:** Board members were given a copy of the finance report which was reviewed by board members prior to the board meeting. The Finance report was tabled.

ii. Committee Reports

a. Facilities Committee

- i. There was no written Facility Committee Report.
- ii. Mr. Gamble presented an oral report.
- iii. UICS building and grounds is in good shape.

b. HR Committee

- i. Board members were given a copy the HR Committee report which was reviewed by board members prior to the board meeting.
 - 1. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to approve the HR report.
 - 2. Mr. Gamble made a motion to approve the HR report and Ms. Rabb second that motion.
 - 3. By a majority vote the HR report was approved unanimously.

c. Academic Committee

- i. There was no written Academic Committee Report presented.
- ii. Ms. Rabb presented an oral report.
- iii. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept the Academic Committee report.
- iv. Mrs. Gamble made a motion to accept the academic committee report and Mr. Gamble second that motion.
- v. By a majority vote the academic report was approved unanimously.

VI. Public Comment

- 1. Assiya Sheikl, Home and School Association President, had a comment regarding the progress the HASA is making to close the communication gap between the school and families.
- 2. Hamzah Abdul-As-laam, Parent, had a comment regarding student academics and additional language that can be used within school policy that can indentify students performance levels.
- 3. Yasmeen Porla- Parent, commented on her appreciation to the school for its support with her scholars struggle to learn to read.
- 4. Shakira Pratt, parent, had a comment regarding the requirements for class room assistants.

VII. Adjournment

- i. Mr. Ahmad asked for the meeting to be adjourned.
- ii. The board concluded its business and the meeting adjourned at 07:48pm.