

Members Present: No in-person participation due to COVID-19 restrictions

Members Present (Zoom video): Mr. Ed Hubbard, Mr. Len Gilbert, Ms. Ayisha Devonish, Mr. Ardian Hasko, Mr. Jim Stringfellow

Members Present (phone): none

Members Absent: Mr. Ben Costa, Mr. Edison Bardowell

Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Hubbard opened up the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Development Update

Ms. Megan Benway updated the board development efforts. ECS is submitting for a Sexauer grant again this year. Deadline is in May, 2020. Spring Reception has been canceled. ECS will create a video instead, focused on the 5 year renewal, elementary expansion, navigating the current crisis, and other school updates. Option to donate will be included. Alumni outreach is being pursued, primarily via phone and text message.

Finance Report

Mr. Gabriel Park, CFO, reviewed the February finances and discussions from the March 27, 2020 Finance Committee meeting. The next Finance Committee meeting will be on Friday, April 24, 2020. ECS is working on early budget projections and contingencies to accommodate a number of potential revenue scenarios.

Governance Update

Ms. Franco updated the board on topics relating to the elementary school expansion and organizational impact from that expansion. Current goal is to open the elementary school in July, 2022. Real estate options are currently being evaluated.

Academic Accountability Update

Ms. Amada Huza updated the board as to activities that ECS middle school is undertaking in the current environment of digital learning. Approximately 5% of the student body has moved to hard copy format due to issues with access to technology at home. Mr. Favol Philemy updated the board as to the activities that ECS high school is undertaking. Both Ms. Huza and Mr. Philemy were overall satisfied with the move to virtual education, and looking forward to moving towards more synchronous learning in the coming weeks.

Executive Session

Mr. Hubbard then called for a move to executive session.

Adjournment

Upon return from executive session, there was a motion and approval for the meeting to adjourn.

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