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**Board of Trustees - Open Board Meeting
July 21, 2011**

Board Members in Attendance:

Chrystal Jones, Board President and Chair; Dr. LaTonya Henderson, Board Member; Dr. Carla Bailey, Board Member (via phone); Valerie Grant, Board Member; Jewel Goodman, Board Secretary; Kevin Stephenson, Board Member (via phone); Tracey Proctor, Board Member; and Tiffany Aziz, Board Member

Board Members Excused:

Dr. Talmadge Williams, Co-Chair; Keith Reed, Co-Chair; and Clara Duhon, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Jones at 6:45 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The April, May and June, 2011 minutes were approved as presented.

CAO Report

Mr. Simmons reported on the enrollment number for all three campuses; Main Campus- Student Achievement1) PABC—153; 2) Main Campus—575; 3) MLK—130 and stated that recruitment will continue.

Mr. Simmons provided the Board members with the compliance ratings. He noted that the 3rd and 4th quarter student discipline data showed the successful implementation of our Positive Behavior Intervention Supports initiative at HRA—Main Campus and provided a table comparing actual percentage of student discipline referrals to expected percentages by tiers. Mr. Simmons indicated that according to the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE), the DC CAS results will be released for public review and analysis August 1st.

Head of School – Main Campus

Dr. Hicks gave an update on Race to the Top initiative and reported on the status of the semi-annual grants.

Head of School - PABC

Dr. Garcia reported that the Writing Committee is working on gathering materials and creating writing projects for each grade level. She noted that the Common Core Committee is aligning our curriculum resources, Open Court Reading and Real Math, to the new common Core State Standards.

Head of School – MLK Campus

Mr. Presley stated that the Summer School program operated well and reported on the activities and events.

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COO Report

Mr. Johnson reported on human resources and compliance issues. He stated that the first group of refunds has been mailed out to parents for lunch and breakfast reduced fee.

Mr. Johnson provided an update of the report on building, security, maintenance services and other issues. He mentioned that uniforms have been ordered for various staff and are expected to arrive within the next two weeks. The Board tabled the agenda item for the Interdenominational Usher Board Agreement.

Finances

Mr. Gray reported on the end of the fiscal year budget and stated that the budget for the upcoming school year is being reviewed by the Board of Trustees Finance Committee. The budget will be presented to the Board in August for final approval.

Mrs. Martin presented the PTO report for July, 2011. She pointed out that the two outstanding issues to be addressed are about the 21st Century program and parent reimbursements free and reduced lunch and breakfast. The Board provided responses to public comment questions from the PTO.

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No formal report at this time.

Adjournment

The Open Board meeting was adjourned by Mrs. Jones at 8:21 p.m.

The Board convened for a Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.



Chrystal Jones, Board President and Chair



Jewel Goodman, Board Secretary
Dr. Carla Bailey