# Public Meeting of the Combined Board of Trustees

of

Universal Bluford (UBCS) / Daroff Charter Schools (UDCS)
Meeting held at: Universal Bluford Charter School
5720 Media St, Philadelphia, PA 19131
October 19, 2017 @ 6:00PM

# **Meeting Minutes**

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Sultan Ahmad Mr. Joel Seay Mrs. Cheryl Seay

Mrs. M. Christine Wiggins

## Meeting called to Order at 6:19pm

### I. Executive Session

i. Information. An executive session was held at the close of the meeting in order for the Board to discuss Financial Matters.

# **II.** Old Business (September 14, 2017 Meeting Reports)

# i. Bluford Principal Report

- 1. The Principal's report was presented at the September 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Additionally, board members were given copies of the Bluford's Principal report at the meeting.
  - a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Bluford's Principal report from September 14, 2017.
  - b. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Bluford's Principal report from September 14, 2017 and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - c. By a majority vote the Bluford's Principal report from September 14, 2017 was approved unanimously.

# ii. Daroff Principal Report

- 1. The Principal's report was presented at the September 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Additionally, board members were given copies of the Daroff's Principal report at the meeting.
  - a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017.
  - b. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017 and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - c. By a majority vote the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017 was approved unanimously.

# iii. Finance Report: Profit & Loss Budget Statement

- 1. The Finance report was presented at the September 14<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Additionally, board members were given copies of the Finance report at the meeting.
  - a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Finance report from September 14, 2017.
  - b. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Finance report from September 14, 2017 and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - c. By a majority vote the Finance report from September 14, 2017 was approved unanimously.

# **III.** Meeting Minutes

- i. Board members reviewed the August 17, 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 August 17, 2017.
  - b. Mrs. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Meeting Minutes from August 17, 2017 and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - c. By a majority vote the meeting minutes from August 17, 2017 were approved unanimously.
- ii. Board members reviewed the September 14, 2017 meeting minutes and there was some discussion regarding the minutes.
  - d. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the minutes from September 14, 2017.
  - e. Ms. Wiggins made a motion to accept and approve the Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2017 and Mr. Seay second that motion.
  - f. By a majority vote the meeting minutes from September 14, 2017 were approved unanimously.

# **IV.** Public Comment

i. There were no public comments.

### V. Monthly Reports\*

# a. Daroff Reports

# i. Principal Report

- 1. Dr. James Ruffin Jr. presented the Principal report for Daroff. Board members were given copies of the report to follow along with Dr. Ruffin as he presented.
- 2. Daroff's total enrollment is 731 with a goal to reach 750. Daroff administration staff is actively recruiting in the community, informing the community of open enrollment.
- 3. Daroff had a great start to the 2017-2018 school year under its new administration.
- 4. Daroff will continue to 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- Develop individual positive behavior support plans.
- c) Tier 3- referral for evaluation for specialized services.
- 5. Daroff's MTSS for academic support will continue to be implemented.
- 6. Scholars will be identified individually for areas of improvement by grade and subject specifically.
- 7. These scholars, by grade and subject, will attend Small Group Instruction during RTI
- 8. Daroff has a goal to achieve a ten (10) percent gain in all subjects
- 9. Daroff has a goal to promote a system-wide culture of safety, effective engagement, cultural competency, and customer service
- 10. There was some discussion regarding the Daroff Principal report.
- 11. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017.
- 12. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017 and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
- 13. By a majority vote the Daroff's Principal report from September 14, 2017 was approved unanimously.

# ii. Daroff FSRC Report

- 1. FSRC focus areas include:
  - > Student and Family health:
  - ➤ Adult and Parent Education
  - > Professional Growth and Development
  - > Family Support Service

## b. Bluford Reports

# ii. Principal Report

- 1. Principal Gary-Nelson presented the Bluford Principal report. Board members were given copies of the report to follow along with Principal Gary-Nelson as she presented.
- 2. Bluford's total enrollment is 533. Bluford with a goal to reach 541.
- 3. Bluford will continue to implement Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) through a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) for behavior. The three (3) tiered system is as follows:
  - d) Tier 1- the base level of school behavior that is applied to all scholars as school policy
  - e) Tier 2- scholars are receiving some outside support services from Wordsworth STS services
  - f) Tier 3- individual one-on-one service is rendered.

- 4. Bluford's MTSS for academics support is designed so that the literacy teacher instructs scholars in Tiers II and III using Achieve 3000, Coach Books and Writer's Notebook.
- 5. Specialist teachers will continue to be utilized in the MTSS period to assist with small group instruction.
- 6. Bluford has a goal to achieve a ten (10) percent gain in all subjects.
- 7. Class Dojo will continue to be implemented school-wide to compliment the SWBIS system.
- 8. There was some discussion regarding the Bluford principal report.
- 9. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Bluford's Principal report.
- 10. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Bluford's Principal report and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
- 11. By a majority vote the Bluford's Principal report was approved unanimously.

# iii. Bluford FSRC Report

- 1. FSRC focus areas include:
  - > Student and Family health:
  - ➤ Adult and Parent Education
  - > Professional Growth and Development
  - > Family Support Service

### c. The Central Office

- i. Dr. Nixon presented the Central Office report for both Bluford and Daroff. Board members were given copies of the Central Office report to follow along with Dr. Nixon as she presented.
  - 1. The Central Office team continues its focus on special education to meet the needs of all scholars.
  - 2. The Central Office team will continue to work hard and diligent to implement common core curriculum to achieve academic achievement.
  - 3. Central Office staff will continue to provides supports to the Principal and Assistant principals on climate, culture, and safety.
  - 4. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to approve the Central Office report for both Bluford and Daroff.
  - 5. Mrs. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Central Office report and Ms. Wiggins second that motion.
  - 6. By a majority vote the Central Office report was approved unanimously.

#### IV. Board Matters\*

# i. Committee Reports

### a. Finance Committee

- i. Profit and Loss Statement, Budget: Universal Daroff Charter School, Universal Bluford Charter School.
  - 1. Board members were given a copy the finance report which was reviewed by board members prior to the board meeting.
  - 2. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the Finance report.
  - 3. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the Finance report from and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - 4. By a majority vote the Finance report was approved unanimously.

### **b.** Facilities Committee

i. There was no written Facilities Committee Report.

### c. HR Committee

- i. Mrs. Seay presented the HR Committee report.
  - a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to accept and approve the HR report.
  - b. Mr. Seay made a motion to accept and approve the HR report from and Mrs. Seay second that motion.
  - c. By a majority vote the HR report from was approved unanimously.

#### d. Academic Committee

i. There was no written Academic Committee Report

### V. Public Comments

i. There were no public comments.

# VI. Adjournment

- a. Mr. Ahmad asked for a motion to adjourn meeting.
- b. The meeting concluded at 8:00pm.