

**Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.  
d/b/a  
Advantage Academy of Hillsborough  
Bell Creek Academy  
Bell Creek Academy High School  
Channelside Academy of Math and Science  
Hillsborough Academy of Math and Science  
Independence Academy  
Orange County Preparatory Academy  
Riverview Academy of Math and Science  
Sunlake Academy of Math and Science  
Valrico Academy**

**Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.  
Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
February 18, 2021**

**Meeting Location:** Independence Academy 12902 E US HWY 92 Dover, FL 33527

Present at Meeting

Patricia Rogers- Board Chair (CMT Participation)  
Charles Harris, Vice- Chairman  
Jennifer Dean- Board Member  
Cristina Fuentes- Principal  
Brittany Deen- Principal  
Jack Burkett- Principal  
Chentella Graham- Principal  
Marcy Ringdahl- Principal  
Dr. Judith Moore- Principal  
Lauren Herbert- Principal  
Scott Musin  
Lindsay Vanderbilt  
Shawn Moore  
Katie Gray  
Leslie Bennett  
Keema Penn  
Chantel Goodwin  
Michael Strader- Charter School Associates  
Brian Strader- Charter School Associates

Meeting called to order at 1:034 p.m. by Charles Harris at the request of Board Chair Patricia Rogers (due to communication interruption).

#### **A. Opening Exercises**

Ms. Rogers participating via CMT asked Mr. Harris, Vice Chairman, to conduct the meeting. After commencing the meeting, Mr. Harris, asked if there were any changes or revisions to the prior meeting minutes (February 4, 2021). Mr. Harris requested a motion to approve the Governing Board meeting minutes for February 4, 2021 as presented. Ms. Dean motioned, Ms. Rogers seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **B. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

#### **C. Principal Reports**

Principals provided reports on current events at the school including enrollment and staffing.

#### **D. Information Items**

1. Status – Lease Amendments- Mr. Strader provided information on proposed lease amendments for BCA/BCA HS, HAMS and OCPA. The process will include terminating the lease with the current landlord and executing a lease with a new landlord (Building Hope’s Education Fund Group) as a result of municipal bond financed transaction between the current landlord and EFG.
2. Revised FY 20 Audit and 990- Mr. Strader provided information on the revised audit and 990. Funds returned to Hillsborough County necessitated a correction.
3. Education Service Provider Agreements- Mr. Strader presented revised management agreements for the board’s consideration. The updated management agreements were prepared by Shawn Arnold, legal counsel to the governing board to create uniformity in the various agreements and to ensure appropriate compliance with the bond covenants, charter and statutory compliance and to ensure appropriate arm’s length relation between the vendor and board.
4. Proposed Bylaw Amendments- Mr. Strader provided information on a proposed amendment to the corporation bylaws. Attorney Shawn Arnold prepared the amended bylaw statement to facilitate CMT meetings as provided in Florida statute for char charter governing boards. The amended bylaws aligned Board policy with statutory rules allowing for virtual board meetings.
5. Finance Reports- Mr. Strader presented information on finance reports (October, November and December – FY 2021 as provided to the board.

#### **E. Consent Agenda Items**

Mr. Harris asked the board for a motion to approve consent agenda items 1-5 (below). Ms. Dean motioned to approve the consent agenda items and Ms. Rogers seconded the motion. All consent items were approved unanimously.

1. Approve and authorize Board Chair to execute final lease agreements between AAH, Inc. and EGF, LLC on behalf of BCA/BCA HS, OCPA and HAMS.
2. Ratify Board Chair's signing of Amended FY 2020 Form 990 and FY 20 Audit Report
3. Approve 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Bylaws for Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc.
4. Approve October FY 20, November FY 20 and December FY 20 finance reports as submitted.
5. Approve Certification Waivers, Exhibit A

**F. Items Scheduled for Action & Discussion**

1. Board members reviewed and discussed proposed legal counsel's amended and restated management agreements on behalf of AAH, BCA, BCA HS, CAMS, HAMS, IAS, OCPA, RAMS, SAMS, VLAA. Patricia Rogers motioned to approve the agreements on behalf of each school under AAH, Inc. Jennifer Dean seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**G. Board Member Reports**

None

Mr. Harris adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

The undersigned hereby certifies that she is Chairman of Advantage Academy of Hillsborough, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation and the individual charter schools sponsored by said corporation.

The board meeting minutes of the Corporation for February 18, 2021 were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on July 15, 2021 where the meeting minutes were adopted and approved.

ADVANTAGE ACADEMY OF HILLSBOROUGH, INC.

A Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation

By: Patricia Rogers

Patricia Rogers, Chairman