



## **Donna J. Beasley Mission Statement**

To support students in achieving a high school diploma and prepare them for college and career success through an individually paced, technology-based, flexibly scheduled program.

### **Minutes**

#### **EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Friday, November 10, 2023, at 4:30**

#### **PM at school:**

1. Board Chairman, Mr. Stichter, opened the meeting at 4:34 PM with roll call: Mark Stichter, Walter McDonald, Robert Hurst, Mrs. Padron (board member/parent liaison), and Pastor Jhon Freddy Correa. All present. Also in attendance were Dr. Torregrasso, Ms. Peters, Mrs. Renna, and Mr. Renna.
2. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the financial situation that we will be entering into with the purchase and build-out of the school.
3. Mr. Stichter expressed his concern about the fact that the other charter at-risk high schools in the county have enrollments of less than 300. Our budget will require us to have 300 and 325 students to make our budget work with the purchase and build-out.
4. Ms. Padron had a few questions about the budget that Mr. Renna answered.
5. Mr. Hurst talked about the loan we would enter with Building Hope. He said it was an excellent deal and we would be foolish if we didn't go ahead with our plans to purchase and expand the school.
6. There was a concern about the trades and that we only have one trade to offer.
7. Mr. Renna pointed out that there are actually three charter at-risk high schools with enrollments of over 300 and one with an enrollment of 297.
8. Mr. Hurst recommended that the board approve the loan agreement with Building Hope and proceed with the purchase and build plans. Mr. McDonald seconded the motion. Vote: 5-0 in favor.
9. Mr. McDonald suggested we set up a committee to pursue the fundraising aspect discussed at the last meeting and work with trade organizations in the area. Dr. Torregrasso said he would oversee organizing that committee, and he would contact individual board members and others to serve on this committee.
10. Meeting adjourned 5:20.