13 Board Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2020

A meeting of the I3 Board of Directors was held on November 12, 2020 through Zoom with all Board members present. The meeting was called to order and the agenda approved by unanimous consent. Minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

Dr. Nalls gave a Head of School report to the Board that included current state of the school and updates on student recruitment for 2021-2022, teacher recruitment and mid-year assessment plans. He also shared how the i3 Academy Code of Conduct will be developed now that we have had a chance to get to know the students. He also shared that our first round of parent conferences was held with a 98% participation rate. He made the Board aware of the learning format change upcoming on November 30th with some 60 students deciding to move into full-time in school instruction bringing the total to around 325 in attendance daily.

Dr. Bice led a discussion regarding the I3 Board's contract with the State Commission and the Comprehensive Framework of goals and objectives to be met over the next five years of the contact. The basic goals, required of all charter schools, is to reach a 25% higher rate of proficiency than the surrounding schools within the system which remains below the expectations needed for student success. As a result, I3 Academy has set a goal of 90% or above grade level proficiency in reading and mathematics by the end of the 5-year contract period.

Dr. Nalls then introduced the Data Dashboard to be used by the school and the Board to monitor progress toward the goals and others needed for overall student a school success.

Dr. Bice shared that in partnership with New Schools for Alabama, Ed Board Partners and consultant Allison Grizzle, the Board will begin a strategic visioning process to expand I3 to grades 6-12 over the next several years. This process will begin in January 2021 and continue throughout the year.

The Board meeting schedule for the year was presented and approved by unanimous consent, the I3 Notice of Litigation Policy was approved also approved.

Board members were asked to consider potential new Board members to be appointed prior to the beginning of the strategic planning process so, as a team, the future of I3 Academy can be created together.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with the next meeting scheduled for January 14, 2021