



MATER ACADEMY

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The Mater Academy vision is to provide exemplary educational choices by offering an innovative college preparatory curriculum; empowering confident leaders of tomorrow.

**Mater Academy, Inc.
Meeting of the Board of Directors
October 18, 2021**

Directors

Cesar Christian Crousillat, Board Chair *(Present)*

Shannie Sadesky, Vice-Chair *(Present)*

Idalia Suarez, Secretary *(Present)*

Maurene Sotero Balmaseda *(Absent)*

Maria Beatriz (“Betty”) Nuñez *(Present)*

Roberto Blanch, Esq., President *(Present)*

Kim Guilarte, Chief Operating Officer *(Present)*

Joseph L. Raia, Esq., Counsel for Mater Academy, Inc. *(Present)*

In an effort to allow greater public participation and to best accommodate stakeholders, this meeting was held via communications media technology with physical access sites at each of the individual school campuses throughout Miami-Dade County.

Minutes

1. **OPENING EXERCISES**

- a. Called to Order at 12:01pm
- b. Established a Quorum

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- a. None

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the September 9, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved Board Resolutions for Out of Field Waiver Assignments for the 2021-2022 school year; further authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to review and make necessary changes and execute for submission.
- c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Individual Charter School Title I Budget Appropriation Details Forms for the 2021-2022 school year for the Title 1 distinguished schools; further authorizing the Chief Operating Officer to review and make necessary changes and execute for submission.
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Receive & File the Financial Statements for the period ending September 30, 2021.
- e. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the CIVIA Agreement for Architectural, Engineering and Facilities Support Services from 7/1/2021-7/1/2022.



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- f. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Out of State and/or Country Field Trips (as attached) for:
 - i. Mater Academy Middle/High/Performing Arts
- g. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to authorize the Chief Operating Officer the ability to execute and submit the Charter School Policies Affirmation form as required by M-DCPS.
- h. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the request for two-year extension of teacher temporary certificate.
- i. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to authorize the schools to utilize a State-Approved System for Teacher Observation and Evaluations for the 2021-2022 School Year.

Motion to approve the consent agenda by C. Crousillat; second by Idalia Suarez; motion passed unanimously

4. ACTION & DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Report & Items by the President and Board Counsel (*Roberto Blanch & Joe Raia*)
 - i. Update on bond transaction; aiming for a November issuance date; Mater Bay construction to be included, however with the permission to be removed if need be as still working on approvals from Town of Cutler Bay. Update on construction projects, including Kiwanis project, Brickell, Mater Lakes 5 acres. Rolando Llanes provides additional details on forementioned projects, as well as Davenport, Lake Nona (Orange County), Tory Pine, Biscayne (interior retrofit) (discussed interior doors and combination locks to enter), Liberty Square, Avenir (PBC), Hialeah Park
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Resolution confirming Chris' authority to sign final mylar for Innovations Plat for Brickell (signed last March).
Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Betty Nunez; motion passed unanimously
 - iii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the have the Lake Nona charter contact issued to Mater Academy Central, Inc. as opposed to Mater Academy, Inc.
Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Shannie Sadesky; motion passed unanimously
- b. Report & Items by the Chief Operating Officer (*Kim Guilarte-Gil*)
 - i. Mentions that Principals of new schools opening in August 2022 are concerned with completion dates.
 - ii. Requests that all Principals contact her off-line to advise if they will be in attendance at the upcoming Academica conference.
- c. Financial Report (*Ana Martinez*)
 - i. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed and approved to Receive & File the Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Reports for the period ending June 30, 2021.
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed and approved to Ratify all Year-End Grants and Loans for the period ending June 30, 2020.
Motion to approve the financial report by C. Crousillat; second by Idalia Suarez; motion passed unanimously
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed and approved the Agreement for Updated Payment Schedule for Educational Services with Doral College; further authorizing the President the ability to amend the payment deadline date, if necessary.
Motion to approve by C. Crlousilat; second by Idalia Suarez; motion passed unanimously



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- e. Additional Items by the Board, Principals or Academica
 - i. Ryan Kairalla provides an update on the trademark applications which he has submitted on behalf of Mater's request.
 - ii. Julio Robaina announces that Christina Perdomo will be leaving Academica; she will be missed as she was a long time and respected member of our team.

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTIFICATIONS**

- a. Next Board Meeting - December 16th

6. **ADJOURNED MEETING AT 12:49PM**

Motion to adjourn by C. Crousillat; second by Idalia Suarez; motion passed unanimously

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she is an Officer of MATER ACADEMY, 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.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on November 4, 2021.