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Mater Academy, Inc. | Mater Academy Central, Inc.
Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 1, 2025

Directors

Cesar Christian Crousillat, Board Chair *(Present)*
Shannie Sadesky, Vice-Chair *(Present)*
Idalia Suarez, Secretary *(Present)*
Maurene Sotero Balmaseda
Maria Beatriz (“Betty”) Nuñez
Yasmeen Hasan *(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, Orange, Osceola and Polk Counties.

Minutes

1. **OPENING EXERCISES**

- a. Called to Order at 11:17am
- b. Established a Quorum

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - *None*

3. **CONSENT AGENDA** - *All items listed with letter designations are considered routine and were enacted by one motion.*

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the February 3, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Board Resolutions for Out of Field, ESOL and/or Gifted Waiver Assignments or Endorsements for the 2024-2025 school year; further authorizing the Chief Operating Officer authority to review and make necessary changes and execute for submission (including any necessary additions).



- c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Individual Charter School Title I Budget Appropriation Details Forms for the 2024-2025 school year for the Title 1 distinguished schools; further authorizing the Chief Operating Officer authority and direction to review and make necessary changes and execute for submission (including any necessary revisions).
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify the Resolutions by the Board Chair:
 - i. Misc. Waivers
 - ii. Charter School Contract Amendment Requests
- e. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Out of State and/or Country Field Trips:
 - i. Mater Academy Grove - May 18-23 Close-Up in Washington DC for select 7th and 8th Grade students.
 - ii. Mater Academy Biscayne Middle High - Ireland & Scotland with EF Tours in 2025
 - iii. iMater Middle High – Columbus, Ohio
- f. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Non-Exclusive Space Usage Agreement and License between Mater Brickell Academy and Mater Virtual Academy (private).
- g. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the 2025-2026 Anticipated Enrollment Capacities:
 - i. Mater Academy Brighton Lakes
 - 1. K-8: 1496
 - 2. 9-12: 679
 - 3. Total 2175
 - ii. Mater Academy St. Cloud – 639

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Shannie Sadesky; 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. Report on planned 2025 Bonds – Several projected improvement projects on campuses owned by MAF and leased by the schools; to max. the flexibility of the Board to authorize investigating \$100M in bonds in 2025; reviewing what is the best time to go to the market and what the construction timelines will be; requesting authorization to continue to explore the issuance of the bonds to come back at a later date with the results of such review.
 - 1. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to ratify actions already taken place with this regard and to approve to authorize the President to continue to explore the issuance of the bonds and to come back at a later date with the results of such review.

Motion to approve by Yasmeeen Hasan; second by Shannie Sadesky; motion passed unanimously
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to amend the name of “Mater Jack Brack Middle School” to “Judy Marty Collegiate Academy, a Mater Academy School”.



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

- b. Report & Items by the Chief Operating Officer (*Kim Guilarte-Gil*)
 - i. CMO update
- c. Report by Academica Nevada (*Ryan Reeves*)
 - i. Mater Nevada Projects & Potential Projects
- d. Review & Approval of School Projects and/or Purchases:
 - i. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Mater Academy Grove - 1st Floor Canopy \$515k project for \$515k (*paid by operating*); further approving to award the job to Turin Construction.
Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Yasmeen Hasan; motion passed unanimously
 - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the iMater Middle High – Bus Parking / Dumpster Relocation Project for \$525k (*paid by operating*).
Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Shannie Sadesky; motion passed unanimously
- e. Financial Report
- f. Additional Items by the Board, Principals or Academica

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTIFICATIONS**

6. **ADJOURNED MEETING AT 12:00PM**

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on June 10, 2025.