



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  
February 6, 2023**

**Directors**

Cesar Christian Crousillat, Board Chair (*Absent*)

Shannie Sadesky, Vice-Chair (*Present*)

Idalia Suarez, Secretary (*Present*)

Maurene Sotero Balmaseda (*Present*)

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 10:14am
- b. Established a Quorum
- c. Reading of Vision by Monica Cueto
- d. Moment of Silence for Erika Sanchez and her son, Richard.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- a. None

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the November 17, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Board Resolutions for Out of Field Waiver Assignments for the 2022-2023 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 2022-2023 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.
- d. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Teacher Certificate Extension Requests, as presented.



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- e. **APPROVED:** The Board approved, ratified and confirmed the School of Hope borrowing resolution and all prior actions of the board and officers related to the Mater Brickell campus.
- f. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Out of State / Country Field Trips:
  - i. iMater Middle/High School – Washington D.C. – Chess Club March 29-April 2
- g. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify the Resolutions by the Board Chair:
  - i. Approved the Revised Individual Charter School Title I Budget Appropriation Details Forms for the 2022-2023 school year for the Title 1 distinguished schools; further authorizing the Chief Operating Officer authority to execute for submission.

*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
  - i. Settlement of legal claim has been finalized
  - ii. Facility update by Rolando Llanes
- b. Report & Items by the Chief Operating Officer
- c. CMO Grant Team Report
  - i. Amanda Abreu presents the revised budget.
  - ii. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to ratify the revised CMO budget, as presented.  
*Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Betty Nunez; motion passed unanimously*
- d. Financial Report
  - i. **APPROVED:** The Board reviewed and approved the 2022-2023 Annual Budgets for Mater Academy Kiwanis and Mater Academy East.  
*Motion to approve by Idalia Suarez; second by Betty Nunez; motion passed unanimously*
- e. Additional Items by the Board, Principals or Academica

5. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTIFICATIONS**

- a. Mater Anniversary celebration to occur on Saturday

6. **ADJOURNED MEETING AT 10:38AM**

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 April 20, 2023.

MATER ACADEMY, INC.  
A Florida not-for-profit corporation