

**The College Preparatory & Leadership Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Virtual via Zoom Platform  
October 11, 2023 @ 9:00am**

**Members Present:** Dr. Tamara Turner (chair), Marcus Brandon, Dr. Benita Varnado, Dr. Michelle Meggs, Dr. Linda McRae, Dr. Michelle Johnson (non-voting)

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Tacuma Johnson

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr Meggs moved, M. Brandon seconded to approve the minutes from the September 30, 2023 minutes. Approved.

**Superintendent Report**

Dr. Johnson shared a report documenting the status and post-graduating plans of our senior class. This year CPLA has 32 graduating seniors. As you know, the school needs at least 30 graduating seniors to get points on NCDPI's letter grade system. This is the first year the school has a graduating class of 30+.

Dr. Johnson shared detailed 2023 EVAAS growth indicator data directly from the NCDPI EVAAS system for review and discussion. The school met or exceeded growth on 14 of 17 indicators grade 3-12. K-2 data is not yet available. This information will be in the school's annual report to parents and the community.

Dr. Johnson discussed the process for developing the School Improvement Plan, and all the stakeholders whose input was involved in its creation. The 3 priorities of the Plan are: Teacher Professional Development, Instructional Leadership Development, and Parent Engagement. Focusing on these priorities will drive student achievement.

M. Brandon moved, Dr. Varnado seconded to approve the School Improvement Plan. Approved.

**Finance Officer Report**

T. Johnson shared the Budget v Actual report for July – October 2023 for the Board's review and discussion.

Dr. Varnado moved, M. Brandon seconded to approve the Superintendent Report and Finance Officer reports. Approved.

**New Business**

Dr. McRae moved, M. Brandon seconded to elect Mr. Eugene Slocum to the Board. Approved.

**Adjournment**

Dr. Varnado moved, Dr. McRae seconded to adjourn at 9:46 AM. Approved.