

**Children’s Village Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
November 17, 2020
Teleconference**

Board Members Present: Chairman Roy Lanier, James Harper, Annette Lewis and Vice Chair Peggy Carr.

Staff Present: Jessica Jones, Principal and Gloria Battle, Administrator

Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and established a quorum was present. Peggy Carr made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2020 meeting with the necessary adjustments. James Harper seconded the motion, the minutes were approved with all in favor.

First order of business was the approval of the October 31, 2020 budget. Our projected end of year surplus is \$30,075. After brief discussion, James Harper made a motion to approve the budget with the necessary adjustments. Peggy Carr seconded the motion with all others in favor.

Jessica then gave a recruitment update. Enrollment is currently at 165. Lengthy discussion about academic PODs and difficulty with students not logging on and not taking school seriously. Parents need to take their responsibility more seriously.

Discussed N.C. check in test scores —they were sad, disappointing, but reflected how Covid has affected minorities and low income more than others.

Motion first offered as a suggestion by Lewis, but later moved as a motion by Carr to move to a hybrid school attendance plan such that parents who are comfortable (with liability waivers) can bring their children back while those who are not comfortable can continue remote learning. It would be a pilot of sorts. Also the motion included a suggestion to foster a culture of strong academics once Covid is over (e.g., Saturday school and year around school) — mirroring the “China World Dominance 2025” In areas such as education; entertainment; military; economics. When Covid is over we need a big change. Harper suggested that we start a messaging campaign with parents as they need to get ready for a new day, after Covid. The motion was passed!

Mr. Kenneth Smith, previous lawn care contractor passed away. Gloria Battle requested that his Widow, Joyce Smith, continue to receive his reimbursement check for non-payment of months and years of service without pay. Harper made a motion to have CPA figure out what a one-time payment would be OR continue to pay monthly until unpaid amount made to window.

Board wants to finalize truck purchase so staff do not have to use their personal vehicle.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm. The next meeting has been scheduled for December 8, 2020 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shakeithia Hill

Recorder