

# MEETING MINUTES

**Name of Foundation:** Renaissance Charter School, Inc.  
**Board Meeting:** July 29, 2011

**School(s):** Duval Charter School Arlington  
 Duval Charter School Bay Meadows  
 Duval Charter High School BM  
 Hollywood Academy of Arts & Sciences  
 Hollywood MS Academy of Arts & Sciences  
 Keys Gate Charter High School  
 North Broward Academy of Excellence

North Broward MS Academy of Ex  
 Renaissance Charter School  
 Renaissance Charter Middle School  
 Renaissance Charter School CS  
 Renaissance Charter School PL  
 Renaissance Charter School St Lucie

*The minutes of Sunshine Law meetings need not be verbatim transcripts of the meeting. These minutes are a brief summary of the events of the meeting.*

Date:	Start	End	Next Meeting:	Next time:	Prepared by:
07.29.11	11:00 a.m.	1:00 p.m.	TBD	11:00 a.m.	M. Vecchione
<b>Meeting Location:</b>					
Charter Schools USA, 6245 N Federal Hwy, 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308					

<b>Attended by:</b>	
Ken Haiko, Chairman Dennis Clark, Vice Chairman/Secretary Thomas Wheeler, Director Peggy Wells, Treasurer Lisa Peddy, Director	Jon Hage, President/CEO, CSUSA Debbie Von Behren, COO, CSUSA Richard Garcia, CFO, CSUSA Lorrie Davidson, VP of Finance, CSUSA Mike Essik, Director of Finance, CSUSA Rob Vilardi, Sr. Financial Analyst, CSUSA Judith Brown, Financial Analyst, CSUSA David McKnight, Principal KGCHS Donte Fulton, Principal, HAAS Ana Cordal, Principal, RECS Jackson Self, Principal, NBAE Teresa Brown, Principal, DCSB & DCHS Angela Gladsen-Wright, DCSA Rachel Windler-Freitag, Principal, RCSSL
<b>Highlights:</b>	

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to public notice, the meeting commenced at 11:00 a.m. with a Call to Order by Chairman Haiko. Roll call was taken and quorum was established.

## **I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Haiko asked the Board to review the minutes from the June 3, 2011 Governing Board meeting and note any corrections or comments. The minutes stand.

**Motion made by Mr. Wheeler with a second by Mr. Clark to approve the June 3, 2011 Governing Board minutes of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. meeting. The motion was approved 5-0.**

## **II. SCHOOL REPORT**

### Duval Charter School at Arlington

- Ms. Brown reported enrollment of 545 students with a budgeted enrollment of 641. Several staffing positions will need to be filled for the new school year.

- Ms. Brown reported on numerous School, Community, and PTO activities.
- Maintenance will continue throughout the summer with cleaning and painting.

Duval Charter School At Bay Meadows

- Ms. Teresa Brown was introduced as the new Principal at both the K-8 and High School at Bay Meadows.

Duval Charter High School at Bay Meadows

- Ms. Teresa Brown was introduced as the new Principal at both the K-8 and High School at Bay Meadows.

Hollywood Academy of Arts & Sciences

- Ms. Fulton reported enrollment of 667 students with a budgeted enrollment of 680. All staffing positions are currently filled.
- Ms. Fulton reported on numerous School, Community, and PTO activities.
- Maintenance will continue throughout the summer with cleaning and painting.

Keys Gate Charter High School

- Mr. McKnight reported enrollment of 170 with a budgeted enrollment of 200. All staffing positions are currently filled.
- Mr. McKnight reported on numerous School, Community, and PTO activities.
- Construction on the new building is on schedule for completion by the new school year.

North Broward Academy of Excellence

- Mr. Self reported enrollment of 592 in elementary and 211 in middle school with a budgeted enrollment of 803. Staffing positions continue to be interviewed for the upcoming school year.
- Mr. Self reported on numerous School, Community, and PTO activities.
- Maintenance will continue throughout the summer with cleaning and painting.

Renaissance Charter School

- Ms. Cordal reported enrollment of 728 in elementary and 296 in middle school with a budgeted enrollment of 1060. Currently all staffing positions have been filled.
- Ms. Cordal reported on numerous School, Community, and PTO activities.
- Maintenance will continue throughout the summer with cleaning and painting.

Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs

- Ms. Sandler introduced herself as Principal of the new Renaissance Charter School at Coral Springs.

Renaissance Charter School at Plantation

- Mr. Mark Hage introduced himself as Principal of the new Renaissance Charter School at Plantation.

Renaissance Charter School at St Lucie

- Ms. Rachel Windler-Freitag introduced herself as the new Principal of Renaissance Charter School at St Lucie. She reported enrollment of 1293 with a budgeted enrollment of 1290.
- Numerous School, Community and PTO activities have been acknowledged.
- Maintenance will continue throughout the summer with cleaning and painting.

FCAT Scores

- Mr. David McKnight reviewed the FCAT raw scores for the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Foundation Schools. He highlighted the strengths and opportunities for each School.

School Grade

- Mr. David McKnight reviewed the School Grade for each of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Foundation Schools and the AYP results.

**III. FINANCE**

- None

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

Development Update on New Schools

- Mr. Jon Hage provided the Board an update on the construction and development of DCSBM, DCHS, KGCHS, RCSCS, and RCSP. All Schools are on target and scheduled to open on time.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

2011 Legislative Changes Impacting Charter Schools

- Ms. McCartney addressed the Board on several Legislative changes resulting from the last Legislative Session and the impact on Charter Schools. The most noted change is the addition of a “facilitator” for each governing board, from each School. The “facilitator” must be available to the parents and community at least twice per year in a publically noted location. No motion was proposed today and discussion will continue at the next meeting for the appointment of a “facilitator”.

Virtual School Applications Approval

- CSUSA apprised the Board on the status of the applications for Virtual Charter Schools that will be submitted on behalf of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. in Broward, Dade, Duval, Osceola, and St Lucie Counties.

**Motion made by Ms. Wells with a second by Mr. Wheeler to approve that CSUSA submit Virtual Charter School Applications in Broward, Dade, Duval, Osceola, and St Lucie Counties on behalf of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. The motion was approved 5-0.**

2012-2013 Charter Applications

- CSUSA addressed the Board on the status of the applications for Charter Schools that will be submitted on behalf of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc.

**Motion made by Ms. Wells with a second by Mr. Wheeler to approve that CSUSA submit Charter School applications on behalf of the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Governing Board for Renaissance Charter School Renaissance Charter School at North Osceola, South Osceola, Palm Beach West, Palm Beach North, Palm Beach East, Palm Beach South, Lake, Seminole, Leon, Polk, and Orlando for the School Year 2012-2013. The motion was approved 5-0.**

Parent, Student, and Staff Survey Results

- Due to timing, these results will be presented at the next Governing Board meeting.

**VI. OPEN FORUM**

- Mr. Jon Hage provided the Board a brief update on the bond issuance. He also addressed the reporter from the Miami Herald and explained the role of

Charter School Management Companies. Additionally, he provided a brief bio on each of the Board members.

**Motion made by Mr. Wheeler with a second by Ms. Wells to adjourn the Renaissance Charter School, Inc. Governing Board meeting. The motion was approved 5-0.**

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Ken Haiko, Chairman

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