## MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF E-STEM PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC AND E-STEM PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

## **April 16, 2020**

The Boards of eStem Public Charter Schools, Inc and eStem Public Charter School conducted a meeting through email on April 14-16, 2020. All members were present and include Jess Askew, Melissa Walsh, Bill Dillard, Jill Floyd and Vernard Henley. John Bacon, Mark Milhollen and Cindy Barton were also included.

## **CEO Report**

Dr. Bacon sent the following email to all members with attachments included:

eStem Board Members,

I hope you are all doing well and staying healthy. Our current "socially distant" climate, resulting in the closure of school buildings for the remainder of this school year, has definitely presented new issues for our team. I can proudly tell you our teachers and staff are stepping up to meet the challenge of the moment, and our students continue to be engaged in valuable learning experiences.

As ADE has issued waivers from numerous school board policies and statutes, including the requirement for boards to meet monthly, I am including some updates for you all in the attached board packet for April. In addition to Mark's monthly financial report, which shows our continued strong financial position, I am providing you all with an overview of the implementation of our Alternative Methods of Instruction (AMI) plan. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have about our process and expectations.

Additionally, we do have three items for which board approval will be necessary moving forward. These include:

- 1 a resolution in support of military children and families (this is part of the designation process related to the number of students who come from military families served in our schools, currently 85 across all schools)
- 2 our local district application for special needs funding under IDEA Sections 611 and 619 (a regular, annual requirement)
- 3 our local district application for special needs funding under IDEA Part B Funds (a regular, annual requirement)

Jess Askew made the motion to approve these 3 items. Melissa Walsh seconded the motion. The votes were as follows:

Jess Askew – In favor

 $Vernard\ Henley-In\ favor$ 

Melissa Walsh – In favor

Jill Floyd – In favor

Bill Dillard – In favor

The motion passed unanimously.