

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

February 21, 2019

The Boards of eStem Public Charter Schools, Inc and eStem Public Charter School met on February 21, 2019 at 5:30pm at the eStem East Village Elementary multipurpose room. Present were directors Jess Askew and Melissa Walsh. John Bacon and Cindy Barton were also in attendance. The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm.

INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

CFO Report

CEO Report

Dr. Bacon reviewed the monthly financial statements in the absence of Mr. Milhollen. There was nothing out of the ordinary to report. All receipts and expenditures were normal for this time of the year.

Dr. Bacon reviewed the Open Enrollment report. This shows the number of applicants for each grade level and how many seats we have open by school. From here forward, most of the growth will come from students going through the system. There are no large expansions coming. Lottery will be held the 1st or 2nd week of March. It is a blind, digital lottery that is usually monitored by the ADE.

UALR update – There have been recent news stories and articles in the newspaper regarding the UALR/eStem partnership. UALR officials state that eStem is crowding their meal areas and also causing negative feelings among the UALR students. Our team is looking at several alternative places that our students could have lunch. Ross Hall is one of those spaces. Our contract states that in the 2020-2021 year, we would be able to take over space in 3rd floor of Ross Hall for more classrooms. We are looking at using 2nd floor of Ross Hall for lunchroom.

Dr. Bacon shared our School Safety Report. There was a gun found on the campus of the Downtown Junior High. It was reported by a student to a teacher who then informed administration. The LRPD was called and they took over from there. Our safety policy was reviewed including when we first installed the buzzers at the doors. We are looking at possibly adding security guards to each campus and possibly adding metal detectors. We will also look at crisis management training for staff and students. We will continue to work with the LRPD and parents to make sure we are doing everything possible to keep our students safe.

Lastly, the Cycle 5 report was submitted for February.

ACTION ITEMS

Old Business

New Business

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm.