

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARDS OF DIRECTORS OF E-STEM PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC., E-STEM ELEMENTARY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC., E-STEM MIDDLE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC., AND E-STEM HIGH PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS, INC.**

**November 17, 2011**

The Boards of eStem Public Charter Schools, Inc., eStem Elementary Public Charter Schools, Inc., eStem Middle Public Charter Schools, Inc., and eStem High Public Charter Schools, Inc. met on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the eStem High Public Charter School Multi Purpose room. Present were directors Keith Berry, Vernard Henley, John Ahlen, Michele Linch, Bill Dillard, Don Marshall, Jess Askew, Chris Corbitt and Malcolm Simmons. Others attending were John Bacon, Mark Milhollen, Cindy Barton, Katrina Jones and Will Felton. The meeting was called to order and there was a quorum present from all four school boards. Mr. Askew introduced a guest, Frank Faulkner, from the Rose Law Firm. Mr. Faulkner is interested in an elementary board position.

**INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

**CFO Report**

Mark Milhollen gave the CFO report which included the monthly financial statements and the Cycle 2 and 3 reports. On the cycle report, a question was asked regarding if there was any pattern for students leaving. Mr. Milhollen stated he would ask Mrs. Cleveland to pull a report for the December meeting. A question was also asked about our racial diversity and if it was related to transportation issues.

**CEO Report**

John Bacon gave the CEO report. The annual report for 2010-2011 was submitted to the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette for publication on December 15<sup>th</sup>. A copy was attached to the agenda. The Technology plan is due in spring of 2012 so that committee has been meeting to prepare for the new plan. School Board member training opportunities were discussed. The ARSBA annual conference will be held December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. The school board members who are interested in attending this conference will need to respond to Mr. Bacon by November 21<sup>st</sup>. Training will also be offered at the December meeting for those that need additional hours.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Old Business**

There is still nothing new for the Adair lawsuit. Nothing has been heard from Judge Marshall in the Charter School Intervention. The Attorney General's office has sent an FOI request to the Little Rock School District and they have refused to cooperate. Regarding the fundraiser for merit pay, Mr. Bacon

will be prepared to present that at the December meeting. He wants the details to be nailed down before the actual fundraising begins. The new roof seems to be working well as far as leaks are concerned. Mr. Milhollen will provide an accounting of the construction costs.

### **New Business**

There were not any new business items to discuss.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.