



### *Vision*

Empowering students to explore global learning opportunities to promote and enrich their communities and the communities we serve.

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### *Purpose*

Somerset Academy, Inc. promotes a transformational culture that maximizes student achievement and the development of accountable, global learners in a safe and enriching environment that fosters high-quality education.

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## Meeting of the Board of Directors July 13, 2021

### Board of Directors

Todd German (Board Chair / Treasurer) *(Present)*  
Ana Diaz (Vice-Chair / Secretary / Parent) *(Present)*  
David Concepcion  
Dr. Bernard Kimmel *(Present)*  
Matthew Cox (Texas)

### Non-Voting Officers

Bernie Montero, President  
Suzette Ruiz, Vice-President

### Board Counsel

Charles Gibson, Esq.  
Eleni Pantaridis, Esq.

*In an effort to allow greater public participation and to best accommodate stakeholders, this meeting was held via communications media technology with physical access sites at each of the individual school campuses throughout Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Duval, Jefferson and Monroe Counties.*

### Minutes

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#### 1. Opening Exercises

- a. Call to Order
- b. Establish Quorum

#### 2. Public Comment

- a. Alana Garcia, Parent from Somerset Academy Bay

#### 3. Consent Agenda

- a. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Minutes from the June 15, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting.
- b. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify the Mental Health Plans for the individual schools.
- c. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify the 2020-2021 FSSAT; further approving the submittal of the 2021-2022 FSSAT.

- d. **APPROVED:** The Board approved to Ratify Resolutions by the Chair.
- e. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the following School Project Request(s):
  - i. Somerset Academy Middle School Miramar – Science Lab Furniture for \$60,000 (funded by ESSER)  
*(Principal Alex Prieto)*
  - ii. Somerset Academy Key – Bathrooms and Stairwell Improvements for \$43,00 (funded by operating)  
*(Principal Dennis Mulrooney)*
- f. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Title 1 Budget Appropriation Details Forms for the 2021-2022 School Year for the individual and eligible schools; further approving them to be executed by either the Board Chair or Vice-Chair.
- g. **APPROVED:** The Board approved the Mental Health Plans for the individual schools; further approving to ratify the approval for the schools who chose to opt-in to their district’s plan, the ability to do so.

*Motion to approve the consent agenda by Ana Diaz; second by David Concepcion; motion passed unanimously*

#### 4. Action & Discussion Items

- a. Comments by the Board Chair *(Todd German)*
  - i. Statement issued regarding parent concerns at Somerset Academy Bay
- b. Follow up on facility issues with the Archdiocese located schools.
  - i. Gema reports on the status of repairing the items that need to be complete and conversations and actions with taken with the landlord; goal is to have items complete prior to the start of school. Board Chair German states that August 1<sup>st</sup> needs to be a hard deadline for the Archdiocese to complete. He asks to ensure that we are prepared to take necessary action if they do not complete by this date. Julio Robaina states that we will all be prepared should this deadline not be met. Board Member Diaz requests info on the standard of the work. Collette Papa has requested a copy of the list of pending issues to be fixed. She will put the ADOM on notice of the pending work and the August 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. If these items are not fixed, then Somerset will fix and deduct the repair cost from the rent. Board Chair German requests that Collette know that the Board Meeting was held at the school so that the Board could see the issues personally.
- c. School Updates
  - i. Jefferson *(Cory Oliver)*
  - ii. Las Palmas *(Kerri Rodriguez)*
    - 1. Principal Rodriguez will update the Board at August meeting.
  - iii. Others, if necessary
- d. Other Items by Board Members, Staff, or ESP
  - i. Mental Health Plans – Website Notice *(Kelly Mallon)*

#### 5. Announcements & Notifications

- a. Next Board Meeting: August 17<sup>th</sup>
  - i. A Principal Chat shall immediately follow the August Board Meeting. *(Suzette Ruiz)*

#### 6. Adjourn Meeting

The undersigned hereby certified that he/she is an Officer and/or Director of SOMERSET ACADEMY, INC., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the meeting minutes of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on August 17, 2021.

