# Hoosier Academy, Inc. Board Meeting Minutes March 23, 2021

# I. Preliminary

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Board President, Jayme Short-DeLeon, called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M. TUESDAY, March 23, 2021.

Board President Short-DeLeon read the Board Mission: 1) make sure that our school accomplishes the outcomes it was chartered to produce (i.e. student achievement) and 2) Make sure that nothing illegal, unethical, or imprudent occurs.

### A. ROLL CALL

Name	Present	Absent	Departed Early	Electronic Participation
Jayme	✓			
Short-				
DeLeon				
Michelle		х		
Study-				
Campbell				
Gary Meyer	✓			
Maurice	✓			
Boler				
Peter	✓			
Pizarro				
Anya	✓			_
Janeway				

# Others in Attendance:

K12 Representatives	HA Staff	Community Members
Darren Reed Enrico Rudolph Todd McIntire Tina Walker Sue Fries Angie Baker Julia O'Sullivan Christina Ingram	Lynn McCoy	Hunter Folkening

#### **B.** Guest Introductions:

# C. Approval of the February 23, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes:

Ms. Short De-Leon presented the Board Special meeting minutes from February 23, 2021. Mr. Boler motioned to approve the February 23, 2021 board meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Pizarro seconded.

Roll Call: Jayme Short-DeLeon, yes; Gary Meyer, abstained; Maurice Boler, yes Peter Pizarro, yes; Anya Janeway, yes. The motion passed.

### D. Adopt Board Agenda for March 23, 2021 Meeting:

Ms. Short-DeLeon presented the March 23, 2021 board meeting agenda. Ms. Janeway motioned to approve the March 23, 2021 board meeting agenda as presented. Mr. Pizarro seconded.

Roll Call: Jayme Short-DeLeon, yes; Gary Meyer, yes; Maurice Boler, yes Peter Pizarro, yes; Anya Janeway, yes. The motion passed.

### F. Oral Communication:

None.

### II. Hoosier Academy, Governance and Organization

#### A. Mission Moment:

Insight School of Indiana student, Hunter Folkening.

### B. Ransomware Update, Todd McIntire:

The audit is taking longer than anticipated. A third party along with the IT department are working on the investigation. The firm has been able to identify that there have been some files that have been accessed and have made those determinations and have begun the compliance process of informing individuals as appropriate. As of this time, no determination has been made regarding specific files being accessed that were related to Hoosier schools. The data that was accessed is basic student information such as internal student ID number, and addresses. There was no identifying information such as social security numbers that were accessed. Once the determinations have been finalized, the communications with any state and federal officials will take place.

# C. Hoosier Academy Indianapolis Return to Building Update and Discussion, Tina Walker:

Head of School (HOS) shared the current numbers of Hoosier Indy students that are attending in-person and virtual, along with a breakdown of the classroom size and capacity based on the results from the local fire chief.

There are some clarifying questions from the fire marshal's breakdown that the Board would like to have a better understanding of size, spacing, and maximum number of students.

### D. Ad Hoc Committee Update, Anya Janeway:

It was shared during the February board meeting that our ad hoc committee is meeting every two weeks with Stride, and as a committee to discuss some other ways to deploy the school's curriculum in the future. Stride is providing the committee with some ideas of how the school may want to do that in the future. The committee and Stride met on March 9<sup>th</sup> and have another meeting scheduled for March 24<sup>th</sup>. Coming out of the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, the committee provided Stride with a list of questions on many different topics and are working through those questions. They (Stride) is also working with their school development team to help facilitate this process. For the meeting tomorrow, Stride did ask for a little more time to get through the list of questions and to pull together some more deliverables. The committee is still meeting, and Darren Reed and Todd McIntire from Stride will join but only for a portion of the meeting. The meeting minutes are in a slightly different format but are in Dropbox.

# E. Building and Facilities Discussion, Jayme Short De-Leon

The building lease for Caito Drive expires in August of 2021 and Board President wanted to see if there was an interest from a board member who wants to be the point person to review and work on the lease. Mr. Boler will work on reviewing the lease documents.

# III. Hoosier Academy- Financial, Legal and School Operations

# A. Financials, Enrico Rudolph

Mr. Rudolph presented the February financials for eight (8) months actual, four (4) months forecast, and will be showing the financials as combined, and separate. The key metrics include the actual enrollment numbers as of February 28<sup>th</sup>, with Hoosier Indy at 113 and Insight at 539.

## Prior Forecast vs. Current Forecast 8+4, Combined

#### Revenue/Funding:

- \$105k Revenue increase due to higher count date numbers (higher retention rate)

### **Expenses:**

- Teacher expense decrease due to open positions
- Student expenses inline with enrollment
- Administration and Governance inline with funding
- Technology expenses inline with funding
- Facilities expenses lower (\$12k) due to reduction in Computer equipment need for FY21

#### Prior Forecast vs. Current Forecast 8+4, Indy

#### Revenue/Funding:

\$22k Revenue increase due to higher 2nd count date numbers

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- Technology expenses inline with funding

Facilities expenses lower (\$83k) due to expense forgiveness from Insight

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### Budget FY21 vs. Current Forecast 8+4, Combined

### Revenue/Funding:

- (\$1M) Revenue decrease due to enrollment

#### **Expenses:**

- Teacher expense decrease due to open positions
- Student expenses inline with enrollment (mostly K12 invoices)
- Administration and Governance: inline with funding
- Technology expenses inline with funding
- Other expenses: (\$17k) IT cost moved to correct line for teacher laptops (teacher expenses), (\$25k) rent cost alignment (higher forecasted than actuals), (\$45k) lower IT cost than anticipated

# Budget FY21 vs. Current Forecast 8+4, Indy

#### Revenue/Funding:

- (\$463k) Revenue decrease due to enrollment

#### **Expenses:**

- Teacher expense decrease due to open positions
- Student expenses inline with enrollment (mostly K12 invoices)
- Administration and Governance: inline with funding
- Technology expenses inline with funding
- Other expenses: (\$223k) expense forgiveness from Insight, (\$25k) rent alignment

# Budget FY21 vs. Current Forecast 8+4, Insight

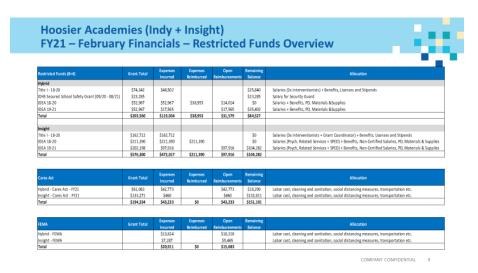
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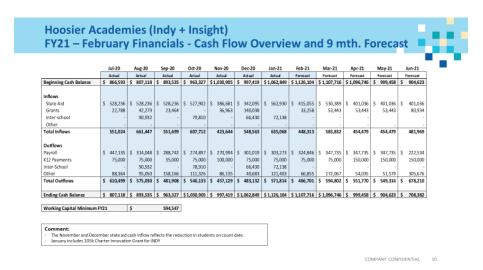
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# Restricted Funds Overview, Combined



### Cash Flow Overview and 9 mth. Forecast, Combined



As a reminder, the variance/alignment in the Budget vs. Current Forecast, is a variance to the budget and was projected during the budget process, not from actual cost. A Grants Coordinator has been secured and is paid out of Title funds.

Given that it is March, finding candidates for this academic school year is a challenge. There were some elementary positions that were open earlier in the year, were covered by a teacher. For example, the Kindergarten teacher is supporting the 1<sup>st</sup> grade classroom. With Hoosier offering a virtual option, it has allowed for the teachers to manage in person days.

The school will provide a more detailed overview of what positions were closed out because they were never filled. Enrollment and fully returning to in person learning for Hoosier Indy plays an important role for the upcoming school year.

Mr. Meyer motioned to accept the February 2021 financials as presented and submit them to the state subject for audit. Ms. Janeway seconded.

ROLL CALL: Jayme Short-DeLeon, yes; Gary Meyer, yes; Maurice Boler, yes Peter Pizarro, yes; Anya Janeway, yes. The motion passed.

Mr. Meyer presented the Hoosier Indy and Insight School February 2021 vouchers. They were discussed in the finance meeting and nothing unusual in the vouchers and motioned to accept the February vouchers subject for audit. Mr. Boler seconded.

ROLL CALL: Jayme Short-DeLeon, yes; Gary Meyer, yes; Maurice Boler, yes Peter Pizarro, yes; Anya Janeway, yes. The motion passed

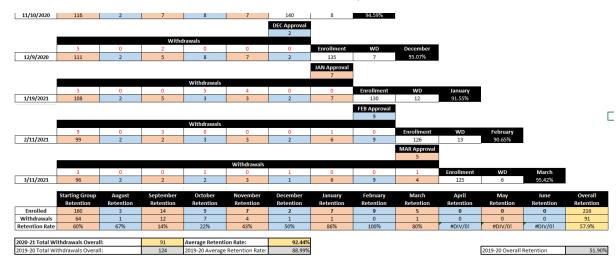
The April finance committee meeting will include the first iteration of the FY22 budget. The meeting will be at 4pm on the 27<sup>th</sup>. The first draft will be available before the 27<sup>th</sup> and will be for both schools.

# B. Community Update, Christina Ingram

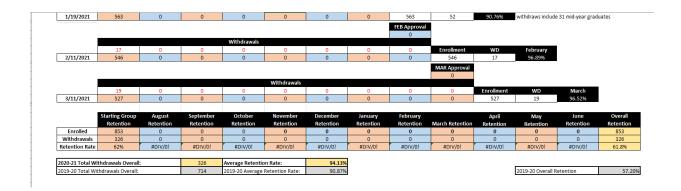
Community Engagement Coordinator, Ms. Ingram provided an overview of the events and clubs that are available to students at Hoosier Indy and Insight.

# C. Enrollment Report, Julia O'Sullivan

The current total withdrawals for Hoosier Indy is at 91 compared to 85 last month. The average retention rate is 92.44%. The total enrollment for Hoosier Indy as of March 11, 2021 is 125.



The current total withdrawals for Insight is 326. The average retention rate is 94.13%. The total enrollment for Insight as of March 11, 2021 is 527.



Ms. O'Sullivan also provided the Board with a year-over-year comparison student teacher ratios and enrollment comparisons. Families that are withdrawing students are given a form to indicate the reason why they are withdrawing, but it is a voluntary form. The data is used to identify trends.

There will be additional insight into reasons for withdrawal next month.

# D. Operational Update and Compliance Report, Julia O'Sullivan

Ms. O'Sullivan provided an update on the reports that have been submitted for the Office of Charter Schools and the IDOE. Dropbox does provide screenshots for the Office of Charter Schools reports as well as the submission of state reporting.

### E. Personnel Report, Nadina McFann

The personnel report is reflecting those staff members that have been hired, are on leave, or have resigned since the February board meeting.

## **IV. School and Student Outcomes**

# A. Head of Schools Report, Tina Walker

### 2020-2021 School Year Data Analysis, MindPlay and Ascend

- -Growth for Hoosier Indy and Insight Students- 37% gained 1 year or more. 20% or 123 students gained 1 year. 10% or 61 students gained 2 years. 8% or 51 students gained 3+ years.
- -Growth for elementary Hoosier Indy students- 53.39% completed ½ a grade level or more. 13.56% or 16 students gained ½ year. 16.1% or 19 students gained 1 years. 23.3% or 28 students gained 2+ years.
- -Growth for middle school Hoosier Indy students- 48.88% completed ½ a grade level or more. 33.33% or 15 students gained ½ year. 13.33% or 6 students gained 1 years. 2.22% or 1 student gained 2+ years.
- -Growth for middle school Insight students- 56.25% completed  $\frac{1}{2}$  a grade level or more. 27.5% or 22 students gained  $\frac{1}{2}$  year. 23.75% or 19 students gained 1 years. 19 years.
- -Growth for high school Insight students- 14.73% completed ½ a grade level or more. 7.92% or 43 students gained ½ years. 5.71% or 31 students gained 1 years. 1.10% or 6 students gained 2+ years.

- -304 Insight students began the year as critical. That numbers is now 261 students.
- -38 Hoosier students began the year as meeting or exceeding. That numbers is now 53 students.
- -50 Hoosier Indy students began the year as critical. That number is now 40 students.
- -105 Insight students began the year as meeting or exceeding. That numbers is now 168 students.
- 50 Insight students began the year as critical. That numbers is now 38 students.

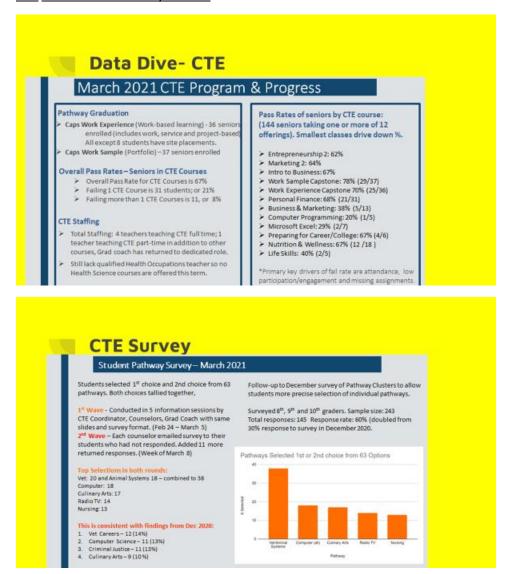
2020-2021 School Year Data Analysis, Ascend

Review Prepared For: HoosierAcademy1819 Activity: 08/01/2020 to 03/10/3021						1	Ascen	d Math
School Name	Total Number of Active Students	Total Objectives Completed	Objectives Completed (average)	Pre Test (sverage)	Post Test (inverage)	Car	Yotal Hears Worked	Hours in Ascend per Soutent (overage)
Hooser Hybrid ES	- 65	3850	45.1	14.2%	94.2%	0.00	2012	21.7
Hooser Hybrid MS	Q	3947	24.9	30%	90.0%	0.58	1853	441
Hoosier Insight ES	0	.0	0	D%	Ph.	0.00	0	0
Hoosier Insight High	488	4342	8.9	39.1%	91.9%	0.53	7842	150
Hoosier Insight MS	99	2160	36.6	37%	93%	0.54	2768	46.9
	574	11400	23.3	25.2%	75.8%	0.48	33975	25.3

Pass Rates for K-12 students were also highlighted. The implementation of small groups, targeted instruction, and other initiatives is having a positive impact on student achievement. Pass rates is specifically looking at course work.

The board would like a closer look from a year over year comparison, and that will be presented next month.

### CTE Data and CTE Survey Results

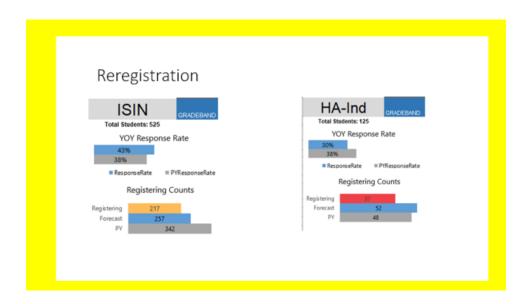


The data is consistent with last month. The school is working with advisors and interventionists to provide wrap around support and reaching out to students to help improve pass rates.

Given the results from the CTE survey, working on adding a specific pathway for example nursing, next year, and identifying certified teachers is also key in being able to offer more pathways based on student interest.

# **Student Support Services**

Update on re-registration for next school year.



A closer look at local marketing for Hoosier Indy will be shared next month as well as how new students have heard about the school.

Graduation for this year will be held virtually.

# WIT Partnership Update, June 2020-June 2021

- -WIT will provide three professional development workshop sessions to increase skills and capacity.
- -WIT will conduct a progress monitoring school culture evaluation at the conclusion of Year 1 for revision of initial goals.
- -The WIT partnership is focusing on school culture, which is a metric in ESSA.

### **Ball State**

- -a standing meeting is scheduled for April with Dr. Garwood. Will share NWEA data and the progress that has been made, as well as get clarification regarding Hoosier Indy middle school students transitioning to Insight.
- -the Board President would like to attend the April meeting and the HOS will send her the meeting information for April and June.

### **Schoolwide Initiative**

-update provided. Pass rates are at 70.6%. Proposed outcome is to increase student pass rates by 10% by 3/1/21. Learning continuum track is currently at 57%, up to 72%. Proposed outcome is to increase student growth on NWEA by 15% points on EOY testing in May. Interventionists are working with students to meet the proposed outcome of an increase average math scores for 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders from middle school 5<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> by EOY.

# B. 2021-2022 School Calendar

The proposed 21-22SY as well as the 22-23SY has been drafted. The calendar has three days of face-to-face learning for the Hoosier Indy students. All students in grades K-8 would attend on the same days, Tuesday-Thursday to ensure 51% in person learning is achieved.

Being no further business, Mr. Boler motion	ed to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m.	
Next Regular Board meeting is April 27, 2021	, Caito Dr. at 6:00pm.	
Signatures for Approval of the March 23, 20.	21 Minutes.	
Jayme Short-DeLeon, Board President	Date	
Maurice Boler, Board Secretary	Date	