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**TIGER ACADEMY GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 16, 2015 10:00am**

**YATES Y**

A meeting of the Tiger Academy Governance Committee was held on Thursday, April 16, 2015 at 10:00am at the Yates Y.

In attendance were Shelly Boynton, Chair of the Governance Committee and Tiger Board members John Baker and Tom Baker, Chair of the Board. Staff in attendance was Susan Golden, Executive Director, Tiger Academy.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by Shelly Boynton. The following items were presented and discussed:

1. School calendar for 2015-2016: it was noted that the school year will begin for children on August 17, 2105 and teachers return on August 10, 2015.
2. Tiger Academy Board Meeting Schedule for 2015-2016: the calendar mirrors the schedule from previous years however the start time has been moved to 11:00am to accommodate. Finance Committee meetings will begin at 10:30am on the Board meeting day and the Governance Committee will meet at 10:00am before the meetings in December and March.
3. Tiger Academy Board Committees for 2015-2016: at the request of Tom Baker, Board chair, a new committee, the Curriculum Committee, will be formed for the 2015-2016 school year to monitor the progress of the goals established for “Great School” status. (see #5). Board member assignments for committees were discussed.
4. Prospective Board members were discussed and the process to evaluate their interest in joining the Board. Additional names will be solicited from current Board members prior to the June 2015 meeting.
5. Establishing criteria that would make Tiger Academy a “Great School” were discussed. It was noted that Charles McWhite and members of the Tiger Academy Leadership Team were in the process of establishing the criteria and measurable goals to be achieved over the next 5 years. A draft of the plan will be on the agenda for the June 2015 Board meeting. After discussion and input the plan will begin with the start of the 2015-2016 school year.
6. Board of Directors Self -Assessment: After reviewing one self- assessment used in 2011 and a new sample it was decided to select the most appropriate questions from both surveys to design one survey to be sent electronically to members with the June 2015 Board meeting information and distributed at the June meeting.
7. Legislative Update: HB7069 has been signed by the Governor and contains several provisions relating to the FSA administration and the use of data from the test for retention of third graders and grading schools.

There being no further business or public comments the meeting was adjourned at 11:10am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Golden, Executive Director