## **Uplift Education Board Meeting**

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 4:30 p.m.

Location: Uplift Education Central Management Office – Stanford Conference Room 1825 Market Center Blvd., Dallas, TX, 75207

Called to Order: 4:33 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:02 p.m.

## Governors Present:

- 1. Ryan Moss
- 2. Richard Frapart
- 3. Lael Melville
- 4. Cathy Estrada
- 5. John McPherson
- 6. Dawn Mann
- 7. Ardo Fuentes

## **Staff Members Present:**

- 1. Yasmin Bhatia
- 2. Alex Berk
- 3. Remy Washington
- 4. Kenna McWhirter
- 5. Esther Kolni

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	ACTIONS
I. Call to Order and Announcements	A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by the chair, R. Moss. R. Moss welcomed staff and the Board to the meeting and reviewed the agenda.	
II. Pre-Kindergarten and HB 3	K. McWhirter provided a review of Pre-K and the implications of HB 3 on Pre-K. The review included current Pre-K sites, on-site Pre-K, Uplift's pilot inhouse Pre-K, and Pre-K operated by partners. HB 3 requires all charters and ISDs to operate Pre-K for all eligible students up to 3 years of age, or to obtain a waiver from TEA. K. McWhirter and E. Kolni reviewed the Pre-K vendor proposals sought by Uplift, and the Board was ready, willing, and able to review any additional proposals brought to the meeting, as required by HB 3. No additional Pre-K proposals were submitted to Uplift outside of the vendors Uplift is already partnering with to provide Pre-K programming. Due to the required construction having full-day Pre-K on all Uplift campuses would require, in addition to the impact it would have on scholars served, administration recommended to the Board that Uplift apply for a Pre-K waiver.  The Board broadly discussed Pre-K at Uplift and the roll-out plan for Pre-K on all primary school campuses.	Upon motion made by R. Moss, and seconded by D. Mann, the Board unanimously voted to approve the TEA Pre-K waiver, as presented.

III. Executive Closed Session	At 4:55 p.m., R. Moss announced the Board was entering closed Session pursuant to 551.072 of the Texas Government Code. A certified agenda of the closed session was maintained.  At 5:02 p.m. the closed session was ended. No decision or action was made by the Board during closed session.	
IV. Real Estate LOI	After entering open session at 5:02 p.m., R. Moss asked for a motion on an LOI on CMO Dallas space.	Upon motion made by R. Frapart, and seconded by L. Melville, the Board unanimously voted to approve an LOI for CMO Dallas space, as presented.
IV. Adjournment	At 5:02 p.m. R. Moss announced the meeting adjourned there being no further business to come before the Board.	

Respectfully submitted, Alexander S. Berk, Secretary.