

Eden Christian Academy  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
August 20, 2020 (via Zoom)

**Mission:**

*Eden Christian Academy is committed to providing an exceptional educational experience by engaging the mind and heart of each student to think and act with Christ like character.*

**Members of the Board present:**

Beth Ann Feldman  
Jeff Gronbeck  
Michelle Rice  
Jeff Queen  
Jim McFadden  
Noel Jabbour

**Members of the Leadership Team present:**

Paul Fisher  
Chuck Smullin

I. **Call to Order**-with a Quorum present, Jeff Queen called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

II. **Opening Prayer**-Jeff Queen

**III. Approval of June Board Meeting Minutes**

Noel Jabbour made a motion to approve the June minutes  
Michelle Rice seconded the motion  
The May minutes were unanimously approved

**IV. Final School Reopening Plan**

**A.** Letters to the Board of Directors – Available for Board review

**B.** Special Guest Presentation and Q&A – Dr. Kishore Vellody

1. Emphasized that masks and distancing work to stop the spread of the virus.
2. Shared opinion of colleagues in Infectious Diseases Department that face shields are not a replacement for masking in the classroom, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Center for Disease Control guidelines.
3. Recommended mandatory masking (with breaks, as needed, with preferably outdoor distancing and/or 6 feet indoor distancing with face shield during the short mask breaks.

**C.** Face Shield Review and Discussion

Noel Jabbour made a motion to require universal masking with multi-layer cloth mask at all ECA campuses for all ECA students including preschool students, all staff, faculty and visitors

Jeff Gronbeck seconded the motion

The motion was unanimously approved  
Current policy will be updated to remove face shield and gaiter as acceptable face coverings and require multilayer masks.

- D. UPMC Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh – COVID-19 and School FAQs – available for Board review
- E. Communication Plan – Emphasis on commitment to keeping all campuses open
- F. Other COVID-19 related topics covered
  - a. Discussion of Professional Development/Training for faculty
  - b. Athletics Department response and adjustments

**V. Reading of the Eden Christian Academy Mission Statement**

**VI. Head of School Report**

- A. Curriculum Updates - postponed to September meeting
- B. Staffing Updates – postponed to September meeting
- C. Enrollment - Report available for Board review
- D. Financials - Report available for Board review

**VII. New Business**

- A. Annual Board Self-Evaluation document to be completed by Board Members and submitted to Jeff Queen

**VIII. Closing Prayer** - Noel Jabbour. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.