



## **BOARD MEETING NOTES: Zoom Video Call**

Wednesday, December 1, 2021

**Apologies for absence:** Brandon Arrindell, Dr. Joe Carson

### **1. Welcome** (Bishop Ed Stephens, Jr.)

Bishop Stephens thanked everyone for flexing to accommodate the last-minute time change. He is grateful for everyone giving up their time to help support the students at STAR.

### **2. Academic Report & Operations Update** (Mr. James Johnson & Dr. Ed Stephens III)

Dr. Stephens thanked everyone for their commitment to the students at STAR Academy.

Dr. Stephens updated the Board on the following:

- STAR was just named Honeywell Corporation's K-12 recipient for a macro (ie. a significant) donation.
- Thanks to Mr. Henderson's conversations with UT, STAR has been named as the university's Finance Department Community Service Project. Details are still being worked out as to what that looks like, but the goal has always been to build pipelines between STAR and qualitative schools.
- Thanks to Mr. Arrindell and Mr. Stephens, STAR will be partnering with Camp U – an onboarding process for 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade STAR Academy students to see if they're a good fit for university.

Dr. Stephens expressed gratitude for all the contributions, connections, and conversations the Board Members inject into the life of the school.

Mr. Johnson walked the Board through the Student Growth and Achievement Goals, as well as the Instructional Overview. Please refer to his separate slide deck for a summary.

### **3. Annual Board Training** (Dr. Derek Henson)

Dr. Stephens handed the meeting over to Dr. Henson to walk the Board through the required training.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, January 26, 2021, 7am