Needs Assessment
Lee County, North Carolina

Lincoln Chafee said, “Trust is built with consistency.” Unfortunately, the Lee County School District is plagued with inconsistency. Some schools have a vibrant PTO, and others don’t. Some have newsletters that go out routinely, while others either don’t have them, or they’re hard to find. Some have technology staff, while others are lacking. Some of the schools have webpages that are markedly superior to those of other schools. MINA Charter School (MCS) will be an necessary alternative to the inconsistent environment provided by Lee County Schools. In a recent survey conducted by MCS, more than half of the respondents said that the school system does not meet their needs or only sometimes meets their needs. Fewer than half of the people surveyed felt that their “current school serve(s) as a nurturing center of academic accomplishment that will enhance students’ opportunities to compete academically, socially, and in the workforce”. When parents were asked whether they would send their children to a highly technological school for free if it were an option, 294 out of 308 respondents, or 95.5%, responded “Maybe” or “Yes”. Additionally, 79% of respondents in a second survey said they would be “likely” or “very likely” to enroll their children in a Lee County Charter School with a STREAM curriculum. Evidence of the Lee County’s desire for this type of school is further indicated by the fact that we have already received applications for 36 potential students. This assessment addresses four areas in the district: teacher and administrator practice, progress and achievement of students, community and family involvement, and safety/discipline.

Teacher and Administrator Practices

In providing a breakdown of Lee County’s teachers, Great Schools—a website often used by parents to compare schools in their areas—indicates that 100% of those designated as full-time teachers are certified. There is no breakdown of part-time teachers, nor is there any indication of whether they have student teachers, teacher candidates in alternative certification programs, or teachers currently enrolled in college obtaining teaching credentials (Sanford Schools).

Below are the percentages of teachers in each school with four or more years of teaching experience (Sanford Schools).

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<td>Deep River Elementary</td>
<td>73%</td>
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<td>J.R. Ingram Elementary</td>
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This data trend line can be viewed as LCS having a majority of teachers with extensive experience in teaching within public schools, yet there exists a need for an innovative approach to what our schools can offer students as we enter the 21st century. Research has shown that our classrooms today still reflect what they looked like more than 50 years ago. MCS embraces the 21st century approach to creating a learning environment that is more conducive to preparing students for being lifelong learners, innovative thinkers, and good citizens in our global, diverse, and technologically-advancing world. Technology offers students new entry points to learning, making learning more accessible to a wider range of students (CONNORS, LM. Trail Blazers. *Science & Children*. 49, 4, 46-50, Dec. 2011. ISSN: 00368148.) The teaching styles have moved away from direct instruction where teachers are the experts in the room leading the discussion and have moved toward collaborative instruction where the teacher is in a facilitator role. Students have more flexibility to be creative, and the use of technology has opened the doors for students to become more proficient through creative learning environments and to become lifelong learners.

According to The Department of Education, North Carolina, similar to many other states, has a shortage of teachers (https://tsa.ed.gov/#/home/), and according to an article written by Perez, G, there is a nationwide shortage of teachers (2015, Aug 17). A teacher shortage is our current reality. *TCA Regional News*. The Department of Education also explains that teacher attrition is normally due to teachers retiring, relocating to other schools, or moving with their families (North Carolina’s Revised State Plan for Highly Qualified Teachers). The growing student population makes this shortage a true crisis. MCS’s innovative and creative approach infuses Critical-Thinking, Problem-Solving, and Collaboration and encourages of Curiosity & Imagination, thereby making our school a more appealing work environment for teachers entering the teaching profession for the first time. All of these are key components will give our students the skills they will need to become contributing citizens in this global society. MCS will provide for a greater opportunity for the sharing of experiences and best practices among our teachers and staff, resulting in a higher quality of education for all of our students.

North Carolina Public Schools report that there are many responsibilities with which the teachers are charged (North Carolina Professional Teaching Standards). Based on the list of responsibilities for teachers developed by the NC Public Schools, there are several key areas that we believe need further emphasis in order to increase the academic achievement in our students. These include the following:

- Developing and applying strategies to make the curriculum rigorous and relevant.
- Understanding the influences on student learning and differentiating instruction.
- Adapting resources to address the strengths and weaknesses of students.
- Monitoring and modifying plans to enhance student learning.
- Choosing methods and materials while striving to eliminate achievement gaps.
- Employing a wide range of techniques using information and communication technology, learning styles, and differentiated instruction.
- Analyzing data.
The last point, analyzing data doesn’t quite define what teachers should be doing. They must analyze the data; then that data should promote action. One effective data tool is a line item analysis that tells teachers where a student did well in some test areas and poorly in others. Doing this for each student is time-consuming, but it gives a teacher information about what they need to do differently or more of to help students succeed. A careful data analysis will inform instruction. This data will be compiled by a designee of the administrator.

Another way to address teachers falling short at meeting standards is to instruct them to adjust and modify throughout the day, every day. In so doing, they must be committed enough to tweak, eliminate what doesn't work, and try again. While this type of continuous improvement process is demanding, it pays great dividends in student success (North Carolina Professional Teaching Standards). Furthermore, in the survey conducted by MCS, parents frequently cited individual attention to the needs of each student as one of the main components they would like to see in a charter school, indicating that this is a major concern of parents. MCS will provide staff development so that our teachers are equipped with the best practices in their subject area for student success, with the curriculum that is being used.

Despite how beneficial tutoring is to students, there is no mention online of before or after school tutoring sessions at Lee County schools. Tutoring can be helpful in mitigating deficits, closing achievement gaps, and implementing reteaching strategies in smaller groups (Evidence That Tutoring Works).

In 2001, the US Government Publishing Office and Department of Education published a report that verified the effectiveness of tutoring. One component required to make such programs effective was the use of research-based elements. The report informed that even if certified teachers weren't the designated tutors, tutoring helped students make academic progress (Evidence That Tutoring Works). Programs such as 21st Century After School Centers and remediation by teachers working with students will all improve the academic success of students.

**Progress and Achievement of Students**

This data was obtained from Public Schools of North Carolina State Board of Education/Department of Public Education (http://www.ncpublicschools.org/src/). The information is generated for every school in North Carolina through the North Carolina School Report Cards website.

According to the NC School Report Cards, 90% of Lee County elementary and middle schools performance grade was a C. These schools are performing at mid-range. Schools at or below this level received a School Performance Grade of a D or F. The website specifies that schools and school districts with scores at this level are considered low-performing. This designation is also given to schools where students don’t meet grade-level proficiency in math or reading for two or more years in a row. 70 percent of the schools had a C or below in Math and 80 percent had a C or below in reading. This indicates that there is a need for growth in Lee County Schools in math and reading.
The ratings breakdown from NC School Report Cards in performance grade, EOG grades and economically disadvantaged. Great Schools in test scores, state rating, and percent low-income details, and ethnic makeup of the school are provided below.

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Community and Family Involvement

Lee County provides a “parent portal” which parents can sign in to view information about their children. However, the login information is not made easily accessible on the school websites. The seven-step process needs to be simplified for parents. Through the portal, custodial parents or guardians can stay up-to-date on their child or children’s progress in school. They can access information about attendance, assignments, grade history, current progress, daily school announcements, and student schedules. Essentially, schools should work towards making such resources more accessible to families.

This is one action taken by the district to improve communication between the parents and the school. If parents have internet access, this feature can be a bonus. However, many are low income families, and a number of them are single-parent households. According to CHSI, 38.5% of Lee County North Carolina children are in single parent households. The percent of families with a single head of household for the county is 10.9%. As this website indicates, children from families with more than one income tend to have better access to health care, are typically healthier, and are not as likely to have emotional and behavioral problems at a severe level. It also indicates that single-parent families do not have human and economic resources on par with two-parent families (Kids Count Data Center).

MCS will have consistent parent and community involvement. The staff will reach out to parents in whatever is going to be best for that parent. For some, that will be via our school portal, others will be via text or voice communication. All parents will have an opportunity to come to the
school and volunteer, and we will monthly have events for different community members to come and volunteer. MCS will continually look at new strategies to keep parents involved, for we not only serve the students, we serve the family.

Safety/Discipline

A Youth Justice Project from 2017 indicates that North Carolina has increased its use of suspensions to address misbehaviors. In addition, the report highlights the fact that this removal from the learning environment has an adverse effect on the students involved, thereby hurting the school climate. The report also advised that students are often suspended for behaviors as trivial as gum chewing or cell phone use; moreover, males and African Americans are disproportionately suspended and expelled (Youth Justice NC).

The data from the 2016-2017 school year in North Carolina shows that many schools are using suspensions for infractions other than the 16 serious infractions, as specified by the state that justify this action. Each day of suspension should be viewed as a day of lost instruction. It also takes time for a returning student to assimilate back into the learning environment after a suspension, further hindering his or her learning.

Discipline in schools is necessary to maintain order and safety and to enable learning to take place. Providing a student code of conduct to each student has been traced as a best practice that results in enabling and justifying enforcement. It is protocol that policies are communicated with students (115C-390.2) (Safe Supportive Learning). Few of the websites of schools in Lee County have a code of conduct available for students, or if it is available, it’s difficult to find.

There is some unsettling evidence of racial disparity regarding suspension. For example, B.T. Bullock reported a 1% suspension rate for Hispanics and Caucasians, a 7% suspension rate for mixed race students and a 9% suspension rate for African Americans. F.L. Knight reports an 11% suspension rate for Hispanics, a 2% suspension rate for Caucasians and a 1% suspension rate for African Americans. Greenwood Elementary had an overall suspension rate of 1%, with African Americans at 5%, Hispanics and Caucasians at 1% each.

The North Carolina Data and Statistics website breaks down the suspension rates by county. Lee County had 697 short-term suspensions during the school year 2015-2016, or 20.57 suspensions per 100 students. In 2014-2015, 635 suspensions were reported, with 21.61 suspensions per 100 students (Education Data: Reports and Statistics).

For individual schools, the rates are as follows:
- BT Bullock: 145 suspensions
- Bragg Street Academy: 557 suspensions
- Broadway Elementary: 114 suspensions
- Deep River Elementary: 125 suspensions
- West Lee Elementary: 732 suspensions
- East Lee Middle School: 689 suspensions
- FL Knight/The Children’s Center: 5 suspensions
Greenwood Elementary  55 suspensions  
J. Glenn Edwards Elementary  195 suspensions  
JR Ingram Jr. Elementary  188 suspensions  
Tramway Elementary School  61 suspensions  
Warren Williams Alt. School  16 suspensions

MCS will counter this by having a suspension policy that does everything possible to keep students in school. This would be through a Mindset Room to allow students to express themselves, counseling, parent intervention, and in school suspension. Suspensions will be after all other means have been exhausted and as a last resort.

Technology

It is important that parents feel connected to schools and their administrations, and this often starts with the website. However, many schools in Lee County lack efficient methods of communication with parents on their websites. West Lee Elementary stood out by having a message from the principal that is easily accessible on the website. However, the webpage for this school was very basic, with the last update taking place in November 2016. Other schools lacked a message from the principal, and Broadway Elementary had an administrator link which only displayed a picture and caption, with no pertinent information.

Internet access is a challenge for those whose children attend a school that provides a digital newsletter. Schools must have a way for parents to easily access a print version of the newsletter. Some Lee County schools do not even have a link where parents can obtain this newsletter, and many schools even had inactive community pages, or pages where only the dress code information is provided.

Deep River Elementary School provides an example of an ineffective website. The site had a dead link under the newsletter. However, this school had a parental involvement plan and a thrift store run by volunteers. Despite the proceeds from the store going in part to technology, the website does not reflect the elements of the plan regarding parent involvement. Again, this inconsistency is a factor that renders what could be a promising initiative less effective.

The MCS survey shows that 76.6% of respondents would be inclined to send their children to a technologically advanced school so that they will be able to compete. A follow-up survey indicated that 100% of survey participants felt that instruction in technology and computers would be either somewhat or very important. The current trend in Lee County Schools does not cater to this specific need of the district’s parents.

MCS will have an up-to-date website, but in addition to the website, our teachers will communicate through different approved social media sites approved by administration. There will be weekly communication through either email or text messages with all parents.

Survey Results
As mentioned throughout this document, the board of MCS has conducted several surveys to determine the perceived wants and needs of the parents and students of Lee County and nearby communities. Below are some of the results of our latest survey, which represent 203 potential students.
*Some respondents did not answer all questions

### Does current school serve as a nurturing center of academic accomplishment that will enhance students’ opportunities to compete academically, socially, and in the workforce?

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### Likelihood of enrolling K-5 children into a Lee County Charter School with a STREAM Curriculum

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<td>(Somewhat) Likely</td>
<td>29 (17.2%)</td>
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<td>Need More Information</td>
<td>22 (13%)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Not Very Likely</td>
<td>6 (3.6%)</td>
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### Importance of the following elements in Lee County Charter School

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### Ethnicity of Survey Respondents

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Native American 2 (1.2%)
White 18 (10.7%)
Prefer Not to Answer 2 (1.2%)

Conclusion

The marked inconsistencies in information provided on the different school websites, the differences in what each school offered, the disparities in family/home/community initiatives, and the manner and rate at which suspensions are handled are all reasons why Sanford and the surrounding area are ready for an additional school choice. When studying the data, some disturbing trends emerge, such as the disparate way some schools suspend minorities. MCS focus is to be creative and utilize programs that will build students growth and proficiency. Data is vital to any organization and we have looked very carefully at the data needs in Lee County. The success and failure depends on the data. We are building leaders at MCS and will include the entire family into the process. This takes data driven research, which we have done for this application in order to be able to see the strengths and the needs of our community, students, families and the teachers we recruit. Barriers will exist but we want to put programs in place along with the right people to accommodate the students we serve and their family. Additionally, the survey conducted by MCS indicates that parents actively want more—and better—options for their children. It is apparent from the provided data that the residents of Lee County need an alternative to the available public schools to provide a quality education to their students.
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September 19, 2018

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101 Duryer Court, Cary, NC 27511

Submitted via email to: eblair@blaircommercialrealty.net

RE: 3193 Industrial Drive, Sanford, NC 27332 (Property)

Please accept this revised Letter of Intent (the "Letter") on behalf of Mina's Place Charter School ("Purchaser") for the purchase of the Property on the following terms and conditions. Any terms not addressed below will be further addressed in a Purchase and Sale Agreement.

Seller: R&G Investments USA LLC

Purchaser: Mina's Place Charter School

Property: Parcel # 9651-76-9273-00 consisted of approximately 11.2 acres

Purchase Price: $775,000

Terms: All cash at closing

Earnest Money Deposit: Purchaser shall deposit with a mutually acceptable Escrow Agent in an interest bearing account, funds as follows: $10,000.00 upon execution of a Purchase and Sale Agreement. The entire deposit shall be applied against the purchase price at closing. Any amount deposited in escrow shall be refundable to Purchaser in the event this Letter or the Purchase and Sale Agreement is terminated prior to the approval and/or waiver of the Due Diligence Period.

Inspection Period: The Due Diligence Period shall be ninety (90) days from the receipt of the fully executed and delivered Purchase and Sale Agreement.

The Inspection Period is to review due diligence information and without limitation, Purchaser’s obtaining, at Purchaser’s cost, inspecting and/or approving, without limitation, and in its sole discretion: the physical condition of the Property; the area where the Property is located; an environmental review; an appraisal; and other reports Purchaser deems necessary. The inspections will not disturb the use of the Property by Seller. On or before the expiration of the Inspection Period, Purchaser shall either: (1) Notify Seller that it accepts the Property, subject only to the remaining conditions stated in the Purchase and Sale Agreement; or (2) advise Seller that the Purchaser is not satisfied with the Property via a written notice.

Rezoning Period: One hundred twenty (120) days from the last day of the Inspection Period to obtain all zoning and Permits as herein defined. Purchaser shall pay $3,500.00 per month to keep Property off market. Such monthly fees are non-refundable.

Purchaser’s obligation to close under the Contract is contingent upon Purchaser obtaining satisfactory variances, site plan and curb cut approval and all licenses, building permits, zoning and other authorizations necessary in the
reasonable sole discretion of Purchaser to construct and operate a Public Charter School on the Property. (All of the foregoing collectively are hereinafter referred to as the "Permits"). So long as Purchaser is acting reasonably and in good faith, in the event conditions are imposed by said governmental or quasi-governmental authorities upon Purchaser and/or the Property that, in Purchaser's reasonable opinion, materially and detrimentally impact or interfere with the functionality of the Property or economic feasibility of the proposed development, PSFC may terminate the Agreement at any time prior to the expiration of the Permitting Period or the extended Permitting Period, as the case may be. Upon termination pursuant to the terms of this paragraph, Purchaser shall be entitled to a refund of its Earnest Money, except for the additional earnest money, if applicable.

Purchase Agreement: Purchaser to provide Seller first draft of Purchase and Sale Agreement within ten (10) business days after the receipt of a fully-executed copy of this Letter. This Letter is intended to merely state certain major terms of the parties' agreement and it is recognized that the Purchase and Sale Agreement will contain further terms and conditions not to be inconsistent with the terms of this Letter.

Conditions to Close: Closing is contingent on the following and other items deemed reasonable and necessary:

1) Purchaser's receipt and approval of an ALTA survey acceptable to Purchaser's title company;
2) Title insurer is unconditionally prepared to issue to Purchaser or its nominee at Closing, an ALTA Owner's Extended Coverage Title Policy (or equivalent extended coverage) in the full amount of the Purchase Price, insuring fee simple title to the Property to be vested in Purchaser or its nominee, together with endorsements requested by Purchaser, subject only to the "Permitted Exceptions" ("Title Policy");
3) Seller delivering on or before the date scheduled for Closing, a duly executed Warranty Deed conveying fee simple title to Purchaser;
4) There has been no material adverse change in the condition of the Property between the date of expiration of the Due Diligence Period and the Closing.

Closing Date: Within thirty (30) days from satisfactory removing all 6 conditions in listed in Conditions to Close section above.

Prorations at Closing: All items of income and expense associated with the Property's operation shall be prorated between Purchaser and Seller at closing. Purchaser shall receive credit at closing for all refundable fees or deposits paid to Seller by tenants with leases in force at closing. Seller shall cash out all lease commissions due under the current term of all leases.

Reps and Warranties: All representations and warranties including but not limited to Environmental and Property Defects will survive closing for a period of six (6) months.

Assignment: Purchaser shall have right to assign this Letter of Intent or Purchase Contract to any company or partnership owned or partially owned by the Purchaser.
Closing Costs: Purchaser will pay its attorney’s fees and all other closing costs customarily paid by Purchasers in the state where the Property is located. Seller will pay its attorney’s fees and all other closing costs customarily paid by Seller in the state where the property is located.

Brokers: Purchaser and Seller each warrant and represent to the other that no other agent, other than those indicated herein, has been involved in this transaction. Purchaser and Seller acknowledge that Colliers International - Atlanta, LLC. is acting as the agent for the Purchaser and shall be compensated with a fee of three percent (3%) of the sale price by the Seller at closing. Blair Commercial Realty, Inc. is acting as agent for Seller and shall be compensated with a fee of 3% of the purchase price by Seller at Closing.

Acceptance: If the basic terms and conditions outlined above are acceptable to proceed with negotiations with respect to the proposed transaction, please have the Seller sign where indicated below and return to me by Monday, July 16, 2018 at 5:00 P.M.

This Letter is not a binding contract but does establish the obligation of the parties to proceed in good faith. A contract will not exist until the parties have fully delivered a formal Purchase and Sale Agreement regarding the subject matter of this Letter and containing all other terms as may be mutually acceptable to the parties in their sole discretion. Upon acceptance by the Seller, Purchaser shall draft a Purchase and Sale Agreement for Seller’s review.

Sincerely,

Josh Gregory
Senior Vice President / Principal Atlanta

Cc: Dr. Shawn Williams, Mina’s Place Charter School

9/20/18
NON-BINDING TERM SHEET
Mina's Place Charter School

The following non-binding term sheet sets forth the terms on which EPR Properties, through one of its subsidiaries, including, without limitation, Education Capital Solutions, LLC ("ECS" or "Lender") would consider financing the acquisition and renovation of an existing building for the Mina's Place Charter School (the "School" or "Borrower"), a new charter school to be located in Sanford, North Carolina.

Property:
The School is currently working with a broker to identify a suitable property for a 2019-2020 school opening.

Background:
Pursuant to the Loan Documents described below, ECS would fund 100% of the School's acquisition of the Property, site work and eligible renovation costs up to a maximum of $4,000,000 (collectively, the "Loan Amount").

Loan Documents:
The terms of the Loan would be evidenced by a construction loan agreement, promissory note, first priority deed to secure debt and assignment of leases and rents and fixture filing, environmental indemnity agreement, SNDA and such other documents necessary to perfect ECS's interest in the collateral securing the Loan, including, without limitation the Property (collectively, the "Loan Documents").

Loan Amount:
Up to a cumulative maximum of $4,000,000, which would include all costs associated with the acquisition, renovation and completion of the School Facility; including any applicable development/consulting fees, accrued Renovation Term Interest and Deferred Interest.

School Delivery Date:
The School's anticipated "Delivery Date" of the renovated property would be August 1, 2019.

Developer/GC:
ECS reserves the right to review, recommend or approve any potential renovation work and the Developer or General Contractor the School recommends to complete the same. Any construction contracts would be on a GMP Design-Build form approved by ECS.

Material Loan Terms:
The Loan Documents would contain the following material terms:

1. Loan Term: 20 full "Loan Years", with three (3) 5-year extension options. A "Loan Year" is defined as 12 full months of cash interest payments having been paid to ECS.
2. Loan Rate: 8.75% per annum, with 2% annual escalations beginning in Loan Year 2. For example: Loan Year 1: 8.75%, Loan Year 2: 8.92%, Loan Year 3: 9.10% and so forth.

3. Loan Repayment:
   a. The Loan would be interest-only. All principal, unpaid interest and any other amounts due would be payable to Lender on the maturity date. The annual Loan Payment (paid in 12 equal monthly installments) is calculated by multiplying the Loan Amount by the Loan Rate.
   b. Renovation Period: Loan proceeds advanced by Lender during the renovation term through the Delivery Date would not be payable by Borrower during such period but would accrue at the Loan Rate and would be added to the total Loan Amount calculated at the end of the renovation term.
   c. Deferred Interest Payment: Borrower would be entitled to defer its first 2 months of interest payments that would otherwise be due on the first day of the first month following the School Delivery Date. Any deferred interest would be capitalized into the Loan Amount payable by Borrower.

4. Borrower Prepayment Right: Borrower would have the right to prepay the Loan in full at the end of Loan Years 3, 5, 7, 10, 15 and 20 for a prepayment price equal to the Loan Amount plus an "Exercise Fee" equal to 18% of the Loan Amount.

5. Collateral: Borrower’s obligations under the Loan Documents would be secured by, among other things, the Property and any personal property financed with Loan proceeds.

6. Operating Costs, Maintenance, etc: Borrower would be responsible for all operating expenses, taxes, insurance, maintenance and capital expenditures and would be required to maintain the Property in first-class condition for the life of the Loan.

7. Subordination of School Management and/or Administrative Services Fees: Any fees or payments owed by Borrower to any school management company or administrative services company will be subordinate to all amounts owed to ECS under the Loan Documents.

Underwriting Approval:

The issuance of any commitment or any other undertaking by ECS with respect to transaction described herein is subject to (1) the approval of the Board of Trustees and/or Investment Committee of EPR Properties in its sole and absolute discretion and (2) ECS’s satisfactory review of underwriting matters (financial or...
otherwise) and due diligence matters, which would include, among other items, the following:

- Condition and reputation of comparable traditional public and private schools in the specific School’s market;
- Charter school market feasibility report;
- Demographic and economic trends in the School’s market;
- Title, survey, zoning, geotechnical, environmental, property condition and other factors affecting the Property;
- Projected capital expenditures for developing and opening the School;
- Scheduling, qualification of design team and contractor, and other construction factors;
- Projected initial and stabilized enrollments;
- Projected initial and stabilized tuition level; and
- Projected initial and stabilized operating expenditures.
- Applicable financial statements for any school management or administrative services company affiliated with school

Non-Binding Effect:

ECS and the School understand and agree that this Term Sheet is provided solely for discussion purposes only and is not a commitment of any kind. As such the terms and conditions set forth herein are not binding upon ECS or the School. ECS may withdraw from such discussions at any time and for any reason in its sole and absolute discretion. The School understands and agrees that ECS is not obligated to enter into the transaction contemplated by this Term Sheet, on the terms set forth herein or any other terms, unless and until ECS executes and delivers to the School final documentation, the terms of which shall supersede in their entirety the terms set forth herein.
September 10, 2018

Submitted by:

Education Capital Solutions, LLC

By:

Name: [signature]
Title: Associate Director - Education Investments

Accepted by:

Mina's Place Charter School

By:

Name: [signature]
Title: [signature]
## Kindergarten Grade ELA Standards – MCS
Adopted from Scootpad - Scope and Sequence

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- **July 2019**
  - Independence Day
  - First Day of School
  - Labor Day
  - End of 1st Grading Period
  - Intersession 9/16 - 9/27
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night
  - Columbus Day (Most regions)
  - Halloween
  - Veterans Day
  - Veterans Day-No School
  - End of 2nd 9 weeks
  - Thanksgiving Day
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night

- **August 2019**
  - Annual Leave
  - Christmas Eve
  - Annual Leave
  - Christmas Day
  - Christmas Holiday
  - Annual Leave
  - Annual Leave
  - New Year’s Eve
  - New Year’s Eve Annual Leave Day
  - New Year’s Day
  - New Year Day
  - Students/Faculty/Staff Return
  - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
  - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
  - Valentine’s Day
  - Presidents’ Day
  - End of 3rd Grading Period

- **September 2019**
  - Intersession 10/24 - 10/27
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night
  - Thanksgiving Day
  - Mother’s Day
  - Memorial Day
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night
  - Father’s Day

- **October 2019**
  - Intersession 11/11 - 11/14
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night

- **November 2019**
  - Intersession 12/2 - 12/13

- **December 2019**
  - Intersession 1/6 - 1/10
  - Report Card Pick-Up/Parent Night
Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under: Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

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Appendix - D
MINA’S Place Organizational Chart

Board of Directors

School Advisory Team

Parent-Teacher-Student Organization

Lead Administrator/Principal

Counselors

Teaching Staff

Administrative Staff

Cafeteria / Custodial Staff
Shawn Edwin Williams
3125 Hickory Hill Drive
Sanford, NC 27330

(252) 671 0472
shawnwil@gmx.com

PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT
A dynamic professional and a proven leader with documented success in progressively dynamic and challenging positions, with working knowledge of the principles and techniques of effective supervision and training. Highly motivated, dependable, and demonstrates professionalism in handling various organizational functions and office management strategies critical to organizational success. Team player with effective interpersonal and communication skills, adept at building productive relationships and building rapport with a diverse set of individuals.

CORE COMPETENCIES
Organizational Leadership • Operations Management • Administration • Staff Development • Program Development

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

MINA’s (More is Now Achievable) Place
Sanford, NC
Founder
2016 - Present
• Founded 21st century learning center with a focus on technology

Children of Promise Learning Center/ Born with a Purpose Learning Center
Sanford, NC
Founder
2010 - Present
• Founded 21st century learning center with a focus on technology

Gods Promise
Sanford, NC
Pastor
2012 - Present
• Managed and directed a diverse personnel to achieve church’s goals

American Airlines
Cary, NC
International Resolution Department
2013 - Present
• Coached reports on effective sales techniques and other techniques to improve work efficiency

Jones County Schools Special Police
Trenton, NC
Police Chief
2001 - 2007
• Managed and coached 10 police officers to achieve successful completion of tasks

United States Marine Corps
United States of America
Staff Non-commissioned Officer
1980 - 1993
• Utilized effective time management skills to supervise 30 or more Marines at a time

EDUCATION

St. Thomas Christian University
Jacksonville, FL
Doctorate of Divinity
2017

Liberty University
Lynchburg, VA
Master of Divinity
2007

OTHER EXPERIENCE/EDUCATION

Member
Lee County School Board
2007

School Board Chairman
Lee County School Board
2010 – 2012

Customer Service Agent
Avis Budget Group, Raleigh, NC
2012 – 2013

Lot Attendant
Hertz Employment, Raleigh, NC
2012 – 2012

Security
Southern Protection Agency, Sanford, NC
2012 – 2012

Police Chief
Maysville Police Department, Maysville, NC
1994 – 2001

Detective
Beaufort Police Department, Beaufort, NC
1993 – 1994

Pamlico County Sheriff Department
Narcotics Office, Bayboro, NC
1993 – 1994

BS in Criminal Justice
Colorado Technical University - Colorado Springs, CO
2006

Business Administration
St. Leo University - St. Leo, FL
2000

NC Certified Instructor Law Enforcement
Raleigh – North Carolina
1999

Master of Practical Divinity
Trinity College and Seminary - Newburgh, IN
1998

DARE Instructor
Raleigh – North Carolina
1994

BLET, Police Academy
Pitt Community College - Winterville, NC
1993

BA in Biblical Studies
Carolina University - Chapel Hill, NC
1993

Theology
Southeastern Assemblies of God - Waxahachie, TX
1993

Bible Training Program
Rhema Bible School - Broken Arrow, OK
1991

Computers
Craven Community College - New Bern, NC
1990

Criminal Justice
Craven Community College - New Bern, NC
1986
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School (MCS)

2. Full name: Shawn E. Williams

Home Address: 3125 Hickory Hill Dr., Sanford, NC 27330
Business Name and Address: God’s Promise Church, 610 E. Main St., Sanford, NC 27332
Telephone No.: 252 671 0472
E-mail address: shawnwil@gmx.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   2017 Doctorate Degree – St Thomas Christian University, 2009 Masters of Arts – Liberty University, 2006 Bachelor of Science - Colorado Technical University.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?

   No: □   Yes: X

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school? I am the founder of MCS. It was my desire to make a change in the community through education and health. I have successful run 2 21st Century Community Learning Centers in Lee County. I want to continue to change the lives through education.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
The appropriate role is to set policies and accountability for the School. The board is to hire the administrator and allow them to hire the appropriate staff with board approval. The board is to comply with all rules of the Office of Charter Schools and the laws of the State of NC.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.
   As a Chief of Police I was accountable to either the City Council or School Board. I was fortunate to serve on the Lee County School Board from 2007 – 2012, and from 2010-12 I was the Chair of the board. In the church I have served on numerous board and I am very familiar with parliamentary procedures.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.
   I would bring my past board experience as chairman of the School Board. I would bring a wealth of knowledge in understanding school law from perspective of being the Chief of Police of Jones County Schools and serving on the board. I was fortunate enough to serve with the NC School Board legislative team for two years as well.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
   The mission of the school is to be have every student learn through the use of technology and hands on exercises. To help students to think out of the box, and to teach good character skills so that they can be successful in life whether they go to college or the workforce.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
   That class sizes will be no larger than 18 students. That the students will learn in a non-traditional environment. That each child will have a personal education plan specifically tailored for their success. That no student will be suspended from school unless they violate one of the sixteen major violations. That the students will learn through technology with a focus on science technology reading engineering arts and math.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
   The success of a charter school in my opinion is that they are offering something that the student can’t receive in a traditional public school. The leadership of the school has to be about educating children and having the ability to reach out and not have every teacher to be highly qualified but being able to use a scientist to teach science and an accountant to teach math is appealing.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
   I will know that the school is succeeding by our academics and attendance. That parents are actively engaged in the school and attending board meetings and giving feedback outside of the quarterly surveys. That there is a waiting list for students to attend.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
   The board will be the guiding force behind the school. We will be supportive but managerial at the same time. We will set the mission and make sure the school has the resources to make it happen.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
I will know that we are successful by student enrollment, and parent involvement. That the test scores are exceeding state and national averages and that the teachers are enjoying teaching at the school.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
I again will say that the school is successful that every year there is academic growth and that the school is now competing globally and excelling local and state averages in reading and math. That we will have to come back to the Office of Charter Schools and ask for an increase to accommodate the students wanting to come aboard. That we had over a 90 percent of retention of both students and faculty.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
To make sure number one that every person that walks into the school is treated with respect and dignity. To be supportive of the staff and the administration, and to be actively involved in the community working on behalf of the school. To make sure that we keep the right administrator in place to run the school effectively.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
If a board member or members is acting unethically I would make them aware of their actions and ask them to stop doing those things, and if they do not change, then ask for their resignation.

*Please include the following with your Information Form
  - a one page resume
  - a national criminal background check

*If you responded within the application that disciplinary action has been taken against any past or present professional licenses, provide a detailed response below outlining the disciplinary action taken and the license validity.

**Certification**
I, __Shawn E. Williams, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for M1NA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature ___________________________ September 28, 2018 Date
ATTORNEY JEANETTE T. PEACE
Post Office Box 2147 Sanford, NC 27331 • 919-775-5313(D) • 919-721-1096(Cell)

LEGAL CAREER

1999-present
**Peace & Associates**
Founder of law firm with offices in Sanford and Murfreesboro, NC providing legal representation throughout the state of NC for injured and disabled workers. Largest clientele for an African American female-owned disability law practice in state of NC.

1988-1999
**Wilson & Reives Attorneys**

EDUCATION

1986
**Juris Doctorate**
Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC

1983
**Bachelor of Arts in Economics**
**Minor in Business Management**
Guilford College, Greensboro, NC

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

☐ NC State Bar Licensed, March, 1987-present
☐ NC Advocates for Justice (Lecturer)
☐ NC Black Attorneys (Lecturer)
☐ Former NC Court Certified Mediator
☐ NC Bar Association

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

☐ Board of Directors White Oak Foundation Apex, NC
☐ Former Director Children of Promise Sanford, NC
☐ Former Director Lee County United Way
☐ Former Director Lee County Health Department
☐ Former Director Lee Industries Sheltered Workshop

PERSONAL

☐ Married: Reginald; Two adult children; Three grandchildren
☐ Member: White Oak Baptist Church: Deacon, Youth Leader, Director of Christian Education

INTERESTS

☐ Event Planning/Cooking
☐ Reading & Christian Studies
☐ Peer & Business Mentoring
☐ Basketball & Football Fan
☐ Adjunct Instructor Central Carolina Community College
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School of Lee County
2. Full name: Jeanette Tyner Peace

Home Address: 1614 Cool Springs Road Sanford, NC 27330
Business Name and Address: Peace & Associates 601 W. Main Street/P. O. box 2147 Sanford, NC 27331
Telephone No.: 919-775-5313
E-mail address: ilawpeace@hotmail.com; jpeace@peacelaw.net

3. Brief educational and employment history.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: □ Yes: X

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was asked to serve by Dr. Shawn Williams. I have a passion and desire to see young people thrive, grow and maximize their potential. I believe that MCS will offer unique, customizable growth opportunities that are not being offered to students in Lee County.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
The role of a charter school board member includes setting, fulfilling and strategizing to accomplish the mission; supporting the lead administrator; being an active, available participant in establishing policy; and fiscally supporting and protecting the assets of the school.
7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member. I am currently the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the White Oak Foundation, Apex, NC. I am a past board member of United Way of Lee County, Lee County Industries, Chatham County Group Homes, and Children of Promise.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.
My legal experience will assist the board with interpretation and compliance with laws and regulations. My previous and current board experiences should help guide the board with implementing best practices and governance.

School Mission and Program

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
The school’s mission is to provide a nurturing environment by using technology, dual language, and small classes, among other things, to challenge students to become lifelong learners and productive citizens.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
Smaller classes will mean more individualized attention for each student. Integrated studies (emphasizing reading and technology with all subjects) will encourage literacy. Project-based lessons will appeal to all types of learning and teaching styles and help students to understand the relevancy of what they are learning. Fresh approaches to discipline (yoga, non-suspension, emotional counseling) will keep students in school in a learning environment.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
A successful school has administrators, teachers, staff, parents, and students working together as a team to create student growth in academics, social skills, and cultural awareness. The entire team, individually and collectively, should be approachable, engaged, and accountable for student success.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
Student achievement (when compared to other student in the county, state, and nation) will be the best, but not the only measure of success. For instance, fiscal sustainability, teacher turnover, parental involvement, and student growth will all be measured to determine success.

Governance

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
The board will provide oversight and direction for the lead administrator by helping to set school policy. The board will help to manage fiscal resources by approving budgets and protecting assets. Day to day operations will be left to the lead administrator and her staff.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
We will know if the school is successful at the end of the first year by comparing our students’ achievement with the LEA and by reviewing our financial standing.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the school is successful?
At the end of five years we will know that we are a successful school if our students’ performance is competitive with their peers attending other schools and if we are on sound financial ground.
4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
To ensure school success, the board will need to implement policies that are educationally sound and fiscally responsible and be willing to honestly evaluate successes and failures to make changes when they are needed.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
If a fellow board member acted unethically, I would bring it to the attention of the Board Chair and/or legal counsel for the board.

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- a national criminal background check

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Certification
I, ____________________________, Jeanette T. Peace, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for MINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

______________________________  ____________________________
Signature  Date

September 28, 2018
Lora Wright

1225 Cool Springs Rd.
Sanford, NC 27330
919 – 770 - 2386

[If you’re ready to write, just select this tip text and start typing to replace it with your own. For best results, don’t include space to the right or left of the characters in your selection. Briefly state your career objective, or summarize what makes you stand out. Use language from the job description as keywords.]

Skills
- Parliamentary Procedures
- Entrepreneur
- Accounting
- Customer Relations

Experience
08/1991 - PRESENT
Owner / Southern Jewelers – Sanford, NC
I started my own business and manage the daily operations of the store. I purchase Jewelry from cosmetic to diamonds and everything in between. I have 3 – 5 employees working for me depending on the seasons.

Store manager/ Kendale Jewelers – Sanford, NC
I oversaw the employees, did marketing, and inventory control.

Education
06/80
High School Diploma Lee Senior High – Sanford, NC

Certifications
Gemological Institute of America
Graduate Diamond Diploma
Working on Gemology Degree
NC Broker License
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School

2. Full name: Lora Smith Wright

Home Address: 1225 Cool Springs Rd., Sanford, NC 27330
Business Name and Address: Southern Jewelers INC., 143 S. Steele St., Sanford, NC 27330
Telephone No.: 919-774-7007
E-mail address: southernjewelers@yahoo.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   Geologic Institute of America, Central Community College, and Lee Senior High School. I have owned my business for over 25 years, and previously Kendall Jewelers in Sanford, NC.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   
   No: ☐ Yes: X

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was recruited I believed because of the work that I have done in the Community of Sanford, NC. Dr. Williams asked me to serve on the board. I desire to serve on the board due to my commitment to education. I have three children and all of them are first generation college graduates. All of them were AIG students and 2 of them were DUKE TIP participants. I want to be on the cutting edge of helping students in Lee County be successful.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   The appropriate role of the charter school board is keeping the administrator and staff of the school accountable to the tenants of the Charter. To write and set policies for the school.
7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.

I have served on 2 different 21st Century Community Learning Centers board of advisors. I am the Past President of the North Carolina Jewelers Association. On the board for the 21st Century Community Learning Centers and being on the North Carolina Jewelers Association boards I had the experience of helping to shape the direction of those organizations by setting policies and procedures.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.

As an entrepreneur and successful business owner I bring the concept of starting up a business and finding the means to make is sustainable. I bring contract negotiations knowledge as well as the ability to find resources. I bring the knowledge of Robert Rules of Order.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
   To encourage young people to be lifelong learners and to equip them with the knowledge to not only be successful in school but anywhere they want to go in life.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
   My understanding of the school’s educational program is that it will be heavily based in technology, and students will have the ability to get remediation inside the different modules they will be using. No child should be left behind.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
   The characteristics of a successful school is when both staff and students want to be there. That the climate of the school is inviting, and the students are engaged in learning. That teachers are thinking out of the box to reach every child they have in their class.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
   I will know that the school is succeeding through the monthly reports and my walking through the school and talking with students and staff. By the parent surveys and the retention of both students and staff at the school.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
   The major role that the board will play is making sure that the administrator is doing their job. The board will give direction to the administrator for the direction of the school.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
   The attendance ratio will be better than Lee County Schools and the test scores will supersede the Lee County Schools and surrounding Counties. We will have a waiting list for students for the upcoming year.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
   Our academic achievement is better than those of schools around us and our students’ academic growth can be compared to nations around the world to see where they stand. We have been financial solvent and not holding any major debt besides building, and our staff and student ration has been at a minimum.
4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
   Assuring the administrator that they have our support and finding the resources that are needed to be successful.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
   I would ask for their resignation and if they refused to resign, bring it to a vote in an open meeting.

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  • a one page resume
  • a national criminal background check

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Certification
I, Lora Smith Wright, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for NINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature ___________________________ Date 9/28/18
SKILLS
I retired in 2013 after 32 years of service. I am a people person with great communication skills and a caring heart. I am knowledgeable in my area of expertise and I am a responsible leader.

OBJECTIVE
To serve as a dedicated and helpful board member for the new Charter School of Lee County.

EXPERIENCE
Curriculum Coach | Chatham County Schools | August 2009 - May 2013
My responsibilities were to lead professional development training throughout the county for the new Common Core Standards, organize testing materials and manage testing schedules in my school as well as serve as help teachers with specifics teaching goals and lead PLC meetings with grade levels.

Reading Specialist | Chatham County Schools | 2002-2009
Worked with students in K-8 schools in a one-on-one, small group, or whole class situation to teach reading skills and strategies, and model lessons for teachers.

EDUCATION
Bachelor of Science | June 1982 | North Carolina A & T State University
Major in Early Childhood Education K-4
Minor in Reading Instruction

National Board of Professional Teaching Standards | November 2004 | State of North Carolina
Literacy Reading and Language Arts
Early and Middle Childhood

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Telephone
Home Address

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE OR LEADERSHIP
Lead numerous school-wide activities such as Read-a Thon, Volunteer program, Mock Elections and Voting Activities, Served on the School Leadership Team, mentored new teachers as well as provided monthly trainings for teachers seeking National Board Certification.
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: Mina Charter School of Lee County

2. Full name: Myron Headen Jones

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Business Name and Address: Retired
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E-mail address: myronhj@embarqmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   Bachelor of Science - Early Childhood Education
   National Board For Professional Teaching Standard – National Board Certified Teacher – Literacy:
   Reading/Language Arts
   Thirty-two (32) years Public School Teacher, Multiple Grade levels
   Four years as Curriculum Coach and National Board Mentor

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: ☐ Yes: ☐

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was asked to join by the President. I sent in my personal and professional information and resume. I was then invited to a meeting and informed the committee of my reasons for wanting to join and what I hope to bring to the board.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   The appropriate role of a public charter school board member is to govern the affairs of the school: establish and evaluate student outcomes; establish and monitor management compliance with policies; establish
board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.

I am a great team player and have great leadership skills. I am approachable. I have a vast amount of experience working with struggling students, students with disabilities, and building positive parent-school relationships.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.

My specific area of expertise is Reading and Language Arts in Early Childhood and Middle School. I am skilled in helping students grow in the area of reading and writing specifically, I served as Reading Specialist for over 10 years in which I worked with the students in the lowest 25% in reading.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
   MINA’s mission is to empower students to be lifelong learners, innovative thinkers, and good citizens who are able to compete globally in our diverse, technologically advancing world. MINA believes that all children deserve access to a free education that enables them to complete academically, globally, and in the work force.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
   MINA will be a non-traditional approach in which k-3 students will be Looped and their teachers will develop strong personalized educational plans. The school will have a strong focus on STREAM-Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts, and Math in a blended learning situation utilizing technology and teacher instruction.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
   A successful school is one where the students are making growth in academics, social skills, and independence and responsibility for their learning and goals.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
   Data drives the school in all areas. Parent surveys, frequent formal and informal assessments, Professional Development Plans (are we meeting the monthly, quarterly, or yearly goals?)

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
   The board will oversee the operations of the school by establishing and monitoring rules and polices.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
   Monthly, Quarterly, and yearly data will be developed, monitored, updated, and evaluated and necessary changes made accordingly for students, staff, and board. Student growth, parental support, and staff and board knowledge will show growth and improvement.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
Make sure the teachers and Director know that they have our support. Work on our Professional Growth so that we know how to govern the financial, academic, and legal compliance of the school.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school? I would bring it to the attention of the President.

*Please include the following with your Information Form
• a one page resume
• a national criminal background check

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Certification
I, ______Myron Headen Jones____, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for ______MINA____ Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

__________________________
Myron Headen Jones

Signature

09-27-18

Date
Artheresa Best

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Education

November, 2014  Columbia Southern University  Orange Beach, Alabama
  Master of Science: Public Administration
  Doctorate of Science: Business Administration (15 hours)

May, 2012  Emporia State University  Emporia, Kansas
  Master of Science: Instructional Design Technology

December, 2003  University of Mount Olive  Mount Olive, North Carolina
  Bachelor of Science: Business Administration Education
  Minor: Management Organizational Development

May, 2000  James Sprunt Community College  Kenansville, North Carolina
  Associate of Applied Science: Office Systems Technology
  Certificate: Data Entry  Certificate: Word Processing

Work Experience

Wayne Community College  Goldsboro, North Carolina
June 2015 – Present  Adjunct Instructor
My duties include providing career counseling and training in employability skills to adult learners to include basic computer skills, résumé preparation, interviewing, office practice, time management, soft skills, business education, and job seeking/keeping strategies. In addition to teaching classes, prepare lessons and course materials for each class. Ellucian/Colleague/Datatel. Maintain confidentiality of records, and maintaining the HIPAA Privacy Rule. PREA training classes completed-- Professional Ethics: On &Off Duty (DPS-048), N C State Employee Gift Ban (DPS-006), PREA: Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment (101) (DPS-556). November 2015, T4C-CF Thinking for a Change - Certified Facilitator.

Central Carolina Community College  Sanford, North Carolina
August 2014 - October 2014  Human Resources Development Instructor (HRD)
My duties include providing career counseling and training in employability skills to include basic computer skills, résumé preparation, interviewing, and job seeking/keeping strategies. In addition to teaching classes, prepare lessons and course materials for each class. Ellucian/Colleague/Datatel.

Duplin County Department of Social Services  Kenansville, North Carolina
March 2013 - March 2014  Social Worker, Child Protective Services Investigator(CPS)
My duties as a CPS Investigator (Social Worker) was accessing, identifying, and documenting cases of abuse or neglect among children and finding the appropriate services to enhance child welfare.

James Sprunt Community College  Kenansville, North Carolina
March 2008 - February 2013  Coordinator: Community Service/Self Supporting Programs
My duties included: functions at different locations to survey and implement the needs of the program. Maintain student records in compliance with the State of North Carolina audit guidelines. Registering and maintaining the student demographics for institutional reporting. Collaborate with the Public Relations Department for advertisement of classes. Quarterly I prepared records for audit review. E-Verify for Homeland Security when hiring instructors, prepare payroll, class set up, schedule and registration.
Appendix F:

Charter School Board Member Information Form

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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School (MCS)

2. Full name: Artheresa Best

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Business Name and Address: 323 Wesley Chapel Road, Kenansville, North Carolina 28349
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3. Brief educational and employment history.
   I graduated from James Sprunt Community College with an Associate of Applied Science--Office Systems Technology, University of Mount Olive Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Emporia State University a Master of Science degree in Instructional Design Technology, and Columbia Southern University a Master of Science degree in Public Administration (currently working on my Doctorate of Science in Business Administration). I am a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. I serve as an Adjunct Instructor for Wayne Community College and currently employed with Duplin County Schools where I teach Career and Technical Education (CTE)- Business Education.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?

   No: ☒

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was asked to join this board by Dr. Shawn Williams, President. I wish to serve on the board of MIN A’ s Place because I too have a passion for development, education, teaching, and learning. We agree and believe that students learn in different styles and after Dr. Williams shared his mission and vision, I thought it would be a great opp01tunity to see the students and their families awarded an additional option to serve the students in Lee County and make to make a difference in the lives being touched. I believe the interactive approach to technology will be a bonus and the strategies that MCS will offer the students an abundance of knowledge and experience for their future.
6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member? The role of a public charter school board member is to provide avenues that will develop lifelong learners. To hold the leaders of the charter school accountable for the safety, education and vision of the students in Lee County.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school's board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.
I have previously held a position as a board member for a non-profit organization which focused on preventing domestic violence in Duplin County and to serve individual who were affected by Domestic Violence. I served on the board at Sarah Refuge as a faithful board for two consecutive terms.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.
My experience and knowledge working with students in the public school system and as an educator who is a lifetime learner, my educational background and work experience qualifies me to serve on this board. Teaching in middle school and on the community college level gives me the experience and the knowledge that will benefit this board. Knowing the trends in this changing society through research and teaching will support the learning process at MCS. My background and my work experience working in education such as teaching students soft skills, life skills and different attributes are some of the things that I can bring to this board by sharing new technologies and emerging changes that will benefit the students at MCS. I believe that students are capable of learning and our goal is to prepare them for the workforce. We want our students to be able to compete in this era of technology and be able to react to real world situations.

School Mission and Program

1. What is your understanding of the school's mission and guiding beliefs?
   My understanding of the mission and guiding beliefs are to strategically build powerful learners by providing students an opportunity to adapt to the growing technology driven world that we live in. We believe and know that students are entitled to the opportunity to learn and be successful. We want students to have the best opportunity academically and globally. We also want the students at MINA's Place to excel and be able to perform globally as well as locally by being prepared and knowledgeable about real-world problems.

2. What is your understanding of the school's proposed educational program?
The proposed educational program at MCS will be to uphold the mission and build great leaders by providing a quality education for the students to grow in this technology driven society.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
   I believe the characteristic of a successful school is the ability to provide a safe learning environment with educational opportunities that will elevate our students to be able to compete and thrive in society. I believe the characteristics that we offer through technology driven interaction tools that will prepare students to rise above with the confidence to aim high.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
MCS has carefully put programs in place to make sure that our students are successful. If our students are not meeting the expectations of the standards which are in place, the classroom teacher will provide remediation for our students. The programs that MCS will be utilizing will alert the teacher and the teacher assistant that the particular child will need additional assistance in certain areas. MCS mission is to build learners who are able to perform and succeed academically and globally. The desire to build successful leaders through interactive programs, qualified teachers, and smaller classrooms will enable students who need additional assistance if needed. It is extremely important that the students at MCS succeed. The growth of our students will be an indicator that we are succeeding.
Governance

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school's operation.
The role of the board is to strategically make sure the school is performing at a high standard and receive quarterly reports to make sure that the operation of the school is operating successfully. Board members are obligated to make sure the charter school follows the policies and procedures in order to maintain adequate operational status and determine what is in the best interest of the students.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation? 
MCS will prepare and set goals that are measureable. These goals will be part of the evaluation process. MCS will work to build a partnership with the family to work on accountability. If the determination that MCS is not growing academically, the board will revisit the operational plan. If necessary, the board will vote to adopt changes.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the school’s success?
At the end of five years, through yearly measurements and goals being met, the growth of the organization will be a determining factor. As a successful charter school, I would like to see MCS increase in population yearly, emerge into other locations, and stand out as one of the best charter schools in North Carolina.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
The specific steps the charter school board will need to ensure that the school is successful is by ensuring that MCS is a community building school, build partnerships with the family, and maintain accountability to the students and their parents.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
If an unethical issue was brought before me as a board member, I would address it with the board member and then bring it before the board to make a decision based on the incident. If the findings are true and damaging to the school, the community, and/or not in the best interests of the school, the board would have to make a decision to address the issue and vote on an outcome.

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Certification

I, Arthesthesia Best, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for MINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature

Date
Experienced General Manager with ability to develop and nurture long-term relationships. Technical, creative and organized self-starter with superior follow-through and marketing experience in building rapport and fostering mutually beneficial relationships. Rapid learner who brings excitement and enthusiasm to my work and my team.

**EXPERIENCE**

- **AUG 2016 TO CURRENT**
  BRANCH MANAGER, AUTOMONEY TITLE LOANS — ORANGEBURG, SC

- **MAR 2011-TO-AUG 2016**
  GENERAL MANAGER, AARON’S SALES & LEASE — ORANGEBURG, SC

- **JAN 2010 TO FEB 2011**
  HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST, FOOD LION LLC — SALISBURY, NC

- **FEB 2009-TO-JAN 2010**
  CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE, MARKET VELOCITY — CHARLOTTE, NC

- **NOV 2007-TO-DEC 2008**
  CONSUMER FINANCE OPERATOR, GENERAL ELECTRIC — CHARLOTTE, NC

- **MAY 2007-TO-NOV 2007**
  ACCOUNT MANGER SUPERVISOR, AARON’S SALES & LEASE — ORANGEBURG, SC

**EDUCATION**

- **MAY 2010**
  MBA, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX — CHARLOTTE, NC
  BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

- **MAY 2007**
  BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
  Livingstone College — Salisbury, NC
  Business Administration 3.0 4.0

**SKILLS**

AS400, benefits, cash register, Coach, credit, client, clients, customer satisfaction, customer service, filing, financial, HR, prepare invoices, logging, notes, market, meetings, Access, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint, Microsoft Windows, Word, next, personnel, policies, profit, Promotion.
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: Financial Chair

2. Full name: Billy Bradley Jr

Home Address: 200 Atrium Way Apt 2215 Columbia, SC 29223
Business Name and Address:
Telephone No.: 704.267.4414
E-mail address: bbradley.billy.jr@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   BS in Business Administration from Livingstone College, MBA in Management/Finance from University of Phoenix at Charlotte
   Project Specialist for Recruiting Solution (client PWC)
   Previous General Manager for Aarons Sales & Leasae

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: [X]  Yes: [ ]

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   Yes. I have a passion for the kids and their educational development. I’m willing to invest the time to upbuild the school through community relations, educational programs, and financial literacy.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   To see that the children are our main priority and making sure that they have safe, secure place for higher learning. Also I always be proactive in foreseeing any obstacles that may arise and having a plan in place for the resolution.
7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.

    Served as president of the National Pan-hellenic Counsel. I have hands on experience with the leadership of people and effective communication to achieve a common goal.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.

    I have a strong background in management, leadership, training and development all of which are necessary on a board and for it not to become stagnant. There must always be some sort of evolution.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?

    To empower students to fundamentally sound, as well as innovated thinkers while providing the best tools they will need succeed.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?

    Having a well-diversed student body that will allow the teachers to be engaged with the students and create an interactive environment. Through the use of non-traditional teaching structures and advanced technology tools.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?

    Having a common understanding of goals, principles and expectations for everyone in the learning-community. Leadership: having a group of individuals dedicated to helping the learning-community reach its vision.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?

    Administrators must realize is that good goals. Good mission is actively communicated, offer the possibility for radical change and success.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.

    A school board implements laws passed by the state legislature and creates local policies for the school. It’s Vital role in the lives of parents, students and the community in those matters that are of local responsibility.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?

    Should identify clear interim and long-term success metrics at the school, district, and state levels. Without expectations for success at both the school and system levels, resources may be withdrawn before gains are made or solidified.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?

    Research differentiates between the years and find the patterns

What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?

    Always reevaluate what is going on and what needs to be happening and never settle when everything seems to ok. There’s always something that can be improved.
4. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school's board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school? 

Follow the guideline outline and hold them accountable. It has to be addressed because the live of students are at hand.

*Please include the following with your Information Form

- a one page resume
- a national criminal background check

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Certification

I, Billy Bradley, Jr., certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature  
Date 9/29/18
CLAUDETTE GRIFFIN
claudettegriffin577@gmail.com  919.895.8381

EXPERIENCE

BORN WITH A PURPOSE, SITE DIRECTOR, SANFORD NC
AUGUST 2016 – PRESENT
  o Monitor each tutor’s classroom weekly
  o Provide weekly reports to program director
  o Maintain consistent flow on the floor for employees
  o Handle disciplinary issues

LINE TECHNICIAN COTY US LLC, SANFORD NC
JUNE, 2009-SEPTEMBER, 2013
  o Supervisor of assembly line
  o Analysis of production line efficiency
  o Met standard guidelines for productivity
  o Complete paper work and work orders
  o Repair mechanical or programing errors on assembly line

MACHINE OPERATOR MAGNETI MARELLI POWERTRAIN USA,
SANFORD NC
JUNE, 1998-OCTOBER, 2008
  o In control of CNC Machining
  o Acknowledge and understand blueprints
  o Gaging, infusing and intertwining multiple labor parts
  o Record and track all necessary paperwork

EDUCATION

LEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL, SANFORD, NC
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA, AUGUST, 1989-JUNE, 1993

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE, ALDERSON, WV
MEDICAL CODING AND BILLING CERTIFICATE, JANUARY, 2014-
DECEMBER 2015

NEW RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE, ALDERSON, WV
CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE, JANUARY, 2016-MAY,
2016

LEADERSHIP

Homeless shelter volunteer, Church Usher, Youth leader, Pillars and Plants
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School (MCS)

2. Full name: Claudette Petrina Griffin

   Home Address: 312 Robin Hood Ln
   Business Name and Address:
   Telephone No.: 919-895-8381
   E-mail address: claudettegriffin527@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   I have a High School Diploma, some continuing education courses and have been working since the age of 14yrs old.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   The President of the Board knows of my experience in working with kids at the after school program and I was invited to be a part of the board. I wish to serve on the board because I care about the kids in my community and I feel this Charter school is what is needed here.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   Fiscal compliance and recruiting passionate qualified Administrators.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.
On a day to day basis I work with children in an after school environment. I see the needs of the children and I hear the concerns of the parents. As a Site Director I'm very hands on with the children and the board needs someone that has connection to the community.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board. I'm well aware of day to day functions of the kids and I can bring a reality of proposed tasks to the board when decisions are being made.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs? My understanding is that all children have a fair chance at education to be self-sustaining.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program? That MCS will do all they can to make sure each child is educated to compete on state and global levels.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school? I believe that small classroom sizes and available tutoring labs, knowledge of STEM will allow our school to be successful.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission? The way the kids perform on test and classroom performance.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation. To ensure the school is successful on all levels.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation? Kids will demonstrate appropriate learned skills efficiently and feedback from parents.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful? Again test scores will reflect that are kids are learning and students who have been students for those years will show improvement and an increase in knowledge.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful? Make sure we have qualified licensed educators and making sure educators get the training they need.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school? All actions will be discussed a open board meeting.

*Please include the following with your Information Form

- a **one page** resume
- a national criminal background check
*If you responded within the application that disciplinary action has been taken against any past or present professional licenses, provide a detailed response below outlining the disciplinary action taken and the license validity.

**Certification**

I, Claudette Petrina Griffin, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for MINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Claudette P. Griffin  

September 28, 2018
Eloy Omar Macias  
314 Hawkins Ave  
Sanford, NC 27330  
Phone: (919) 721-5173  
eloymacias07@gmail.com

Objective: To obtain position as Instructional Support Technician - Desktop Services.

Skills/Experience:

- Bi-lingual-fluent in English and Spanish
- People skills
- Strong problem solving skills
- Dedicated in helping people
- Determined to succeed
- Ability to install and update computer software on Windows computers
- Software Installations, PC and Printer setup and repair
- MS Office
- Windows Operating Systems
- Ability to learn new technical concepts quickly

Education:

- High School Diploma  Lee County High School
- Some College  Central Carolina Community College  
  Computer Information Technology

Previous Work History:

  Server, Line Attendant, Baker
- Kelly  Sanford, NC  6/2012-7/2012  
  Material Handler
- The Challenge Printing Company  Sanford, NC  7/2012-2/2014  
  Shipping Clerk
- Lee County Schools  Sanford, NC  2/2014-Present  
  Computer Technician
- Board Member of the Hispanic Council
Appendix F:
Chart School Board Member Information Form

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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School

2. Full name: Eloy Omar Macias

Home Address: 314 Hawkins Ave, Sanford, NC 27330
Business Name and Address:
Telephone No.: (919) 721-5173
E-mail address: eloymacias07@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   Have worked from landscaping, restaurant, factory, to IT (current)

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: X Yes:

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was presented to Dr. Shawn Williams by a mutual friend, after talking for a while I was asked if I would want to serve. I wish to sit on this board because I have always had a passion for helping.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   To be able to provide an alternative to the ways of teachings of a Public School.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school's board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.
   Since coming to this country at the age of 11 till today, I have always been involved in the community through many organizations, which have given me many skills that can apply to help Mina's Place.
8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.  
   My experience in the Information Technology field, a former ELL student, and a now parent.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school's mission and guiding beliefs?  
   That every student should have the ability to learn in a highly technology driven world.

2. What is your understanding of the school's proposed educational program?  
   To where every student has a individualized learning path, for the personal success.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?  
   Where everybody is learning including teachers and staff.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?  
   By assessment and achievements of the students.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school's operation.  
   To assure the school has what it needs to be successful

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?  
   After seeing the scores of end of year exams

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?  
   When seen how far the students have gone in academics and life.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?  
   To make sure has all the school has the right tools.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school's board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?  
   Would consult with boards attorney.

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**Certification**

I, Eloy Omar Macias, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for MINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

[Signature]

Date: 9/24/18
Objective
As an instructional specialist, to increase the effectiveness of classroom instruction through collaboration, data analysis, and providing quality strategies for instructing students.

Work experience
1/18 – Present  Overhills High School  Spring Lake, NC
9th grade teacher
Teach Math I
- School Improvement Team (SIT) member
- AVID Team member
- Volunteer assistance with Beginning Teachers

8/08 – 1/18  E. E. Smith High School  Fayetteville, NC
9th grade teacher
Teach Math I, Foundations to Math I, Introductory Math & Freshman Seminar
- Professional Learning Community (PLC) Leader
- School Improvement Team (SIT) former member
- Math Department Chair (former)
- Technology Team (teachers), School Net contact
- Student Services Team (SST) member

8/04 – 6/08  John Griffin Middle School  Fayetteville, NC
8th grade teacher
- Taught Intermediate Algebra and Algebra I
- Assistant Coach for Math Counts Team

1/06 – 8/07  Web Academy  Fayetteville, NC
Math teacher
- Taught Algebra I and Tech Math online
- Web Academy was taken over by NC Virtual Public School in 8/2007

8/02 – 6/04  Spring Lake Middle School  Spring Lake, NC
7th grade teacher
- Taught general math and social studies

8/01 – 8/02  Sampson Middle School  Clinton, NC
7th grade teacher
- Taught general math and science

8/00 – 8/01  Victory Charter School  Atlanta, GA
4th grade teacher
- Implemented Direct Instruction

Education
January 2015 – July 2016  Gardner-Webb University  Boiling Springs, NC
MA Curriculum & Instruction (Concentration in Urban Education)

1987 – 1992  University of Tennessee  Knoxville, TN
BS Advertising – College of Communications

Certifications:
Certified math teacher for grades 6-9
Certified Trainer in Classroom Management for Time To Teach (2009)

Additional Information:
Presenter of New Teacher Strategies, Common Core State Standards for Mathematics Grades K-5 & created the workbook for the training sessions (Bureau for Education & Research)
Currently writing a book to support new teachers (December 2018 anticipated completion date)
Created standardized math test questions for a N.C. company (MetaMetrics)
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School of Lee County

2. Full name: Ginean Royal

Home Address: 255 Eastwood Ave., Fayetteville, NC 28301
Business Name and Address:
Telephone No.: 910-988-2675
E-mail address: education411@hotmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   Teaching for over 18 years at all levels (elementary – college) in Georgia, Sampson County, NC, Cumberland County and Harnett County, NC.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: ☒ Yes: ☐

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   Mutual contact (word of mouth). I started my teaching career in a charter school and I know the importance and potential of a good, well-organized charter school.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   To ensure that the charter school is responsive to the beliefs and values of the community.
7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member.
Previous experience is that I taught at a start-up charter school my very first year of teaching utilizing direct instruction.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.
Teaching for over 18 years and a master’s degree in curriculum and instruction.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
The mission is to empower students to be lifelong learners, innovative thinkers and good citizens.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
The plans focus on the diverse population of Lee County where STREAM (science, technology, reading, engineering, arts and math) is addressed in the curriculum.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
Having a clear vision, knowledgeable and supportive administration, trained educators and a strong support staff.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
A low suspension rate and higher than average EOG test scores.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
Defines the direction of the school, recruiting, hiring, defining the mission and vision, strategic planning for growth and monitor the finances.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
High teacher retention, growth in enrollment, solid financial records.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
Consistent growth in every area of the school.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
Active involvement with school and community and feedback for parents and teachers.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
Keep an open line of communication and go through a grievance process if necessary.

*Please include the following with your Information Form
- a [one page] resume
- a national criminal background check
Certification

I, Ginean Royal, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for Mina Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature

Date 9/28/18
GILROY BULLER

Email: Gilroy.buller@gmail.com
PH: (704)458-6208

ADDRESS:
93 STARBOARD BAY.
SANFORD, NC. 27332

EXPERIENCE

Aug 2014 To Present
CEO, Owner, Latin Dance Instructor, and Fitness Instructor

Jan 1995 To Present
National Guard

Nov 2006 To July 2016
Network Technician

May 2003 To Jan 2006
Computer Repair/Operation Engineer Support, Celestica
Celestica Inc - Charlotte, NC

Oct 1991 To Jan 1995
Cannon Crew
Member US Army -
Miami, FL

EDUCATION

DEC 2018
Bachelor of Science
COLORADO TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY - Schaumburg,
IL Business Management Major and Entrepreneur.

JUL 2005
Associate Degree: Electronic Technology
Community College of the Air Force Presently attending
Strayer University -Montgomery, AL

OBJECTIVE
I am glad to be a part of such a Program that will enhance and empower each student in their academic, community and family life. I am looking forward to the changes I will see in Lee County and the surrounding areas.

SKILLS
Computers and Electronics, Administration and Management, Engineering and Technology, Critical Thinking, Systems Analysis, Computers and Electronics, Instructing Management of Personnel Resources
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charters School of Lee County

2. Full name: Gilroy Buller

Home Address: 93 Starboard Bay Sanford NC 27332
Business Name and Address: Sanford Latin Dance
Telephone No.: (704)458-6208
E-mail address: gilroy.buller@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history. Retired Veteran, Owner of Sanford Latin Dance Studio, I have Electronic Technology Degree, and currently in school for Business Administrator Management

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?

   No: X □     Yes: □

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school? I was recruited by Dr. Williams. I wish to serve on the MINA’s Charter School Board to be the voice for the children of MINA Charter School and also the voice of the children in Lee County.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member? The appropriate role of a public charter school board member is to advocate for the children of the school. To make sure they have what they need to be successful in school and in life.
7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member. I have served on Sanford Area Growth Alliance / Lee County Chamber of Commerce Board of Director as the Rule and Governance committee member, I have also server on The Togetherness board, where I have head up some community service projects.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board. The specific knowledge and experience I have that I would bring to the board is that I have worked in the IT field for over 15 years and I can assist in the IT department, I also have a dance studio and work with children. Also I am a parent and will be a voice for the children.

**School Mission and Program**

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs? My understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs it that MINA Charter School (MCS) know that every student have to ability and right to learn, and to be successful and competitive in a Technology-driven world. All children should have access to a free education that gives them to ability to be competitive academically, and also in a global workforce. MCS will instill in students real-world problem solving skills by using technology.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program? MCS will allow it’s students to learn in a relax and technological advance school setting. The program will allow students to learn one or more languages while addend school.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school? A successful school is one that puts the student and their educational, nutritional and family needs above all things.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission? We will know that the school is successful when the students are taking the state’s standardized tests and also their performance after leaving the school. The students of MCS will stand out when compared to students of regular public school.

**Governance**

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation. The board will be the guiding and approving committee for the purpose, direction, and students of MCS. The board will set the rules that all board member, faculty, students and parents will go by. The board will make sure that MCS is being ethical in it’s behavior while conducting all business matters.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation? We will know that the school is successful at the end of the first year because of the state’s standardized tests and the way the students behave as compared to regular public school students.
3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful? We will know that MCS is successful after five years by comparing the previous four years’ results and the expectation and goals we have for MCS and its students.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful? MCS needs to look back every month, quarter, and year and make an assessment of its goals for the board, school, and students. If adjustments need to be made, the board should do so as it sees necessary.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school? If I see one or more member of the board acting unethically I will bring it to the president of the board.

*Please include the following with your Information Form
  - a one page resume
  - a national criminal background check

*If you responded within the application that disciplinary action has been taken against any past or present professional licenses, provide a detailed response below outlining the disciplinary action taken and the license validity.

Certification
I, ___________, Gilroy Buller, certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for MINA Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

Signature

Date 27 Sept 18
JOYCE WILLIAMS
3125 HICKORY HILL DR  SANFORD, NORTH CAROLINA, 27330  2526210608  JOYCEWIL27330@GMAIL.COM

WORK EXPERIENCE

LEE COUNTY SCHOOLS, SANFORD, NC
Custodian/Bus Driver, Aug 2010 – Present
• To make sure the school is clean and assist head custodian. Drive school bus and monitor on them.

MCAS CHERRYPOINT, CHERRYPOINT, NC
Assistant Manager, Jul 2003 – Aug 2010
• To assist with making sure the Bowling Alley was ready to open. To assist with scheduling. To make orders for supplies.

Custodian, Apr 1996 – Jul 2003
• Kept the MCAS Cherry Point exchange cleaned and available for the Marines and their dependents.

CRAVEN REGIONAL HOSPITAL, NEWBERN, NC
Custodian, Oct 1994 – Apr 1996
• To clean patient rooms and operating room

DAYSINN, HAVELock, NC
Housekeeping, Apr 1993 – Oct 1994
• To make sure rooms were cleaned for our guest.

CAMPLEJEUNE, JACKSONVILLE, NC
Custodial, Apr 1987 – Feb 1993
• To keep building and restrooms clean for the Marines and their dependents.

EDUCATION
SWANSBORO, SWANSBORO, NC

ADDITIONAL SKILLS
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: MINA Charter School

2. Full name: Joyce A. Williams

Home Address: 3125 Hickory Hill Dr., Sanford, NC 27330
Business Name and Address:
Telephone No.: 252 621 0608
E-mail address: joycewil27330@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
   2010 – present Lee County Schools – Deep River (Custodian/bus driver); 2003 – 2010 MCAS Cherry Point Bowling Alley – Asst Manager. Have over 20 years working with the US Government. Attended Swansboro High School, Swansboro, NC.

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?
   No: X Yes: □

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?
   I was asked to serve by the President of the Board. I want to see a difference in the lives of the children.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member?
   That it operates very similar to a school board. That we set policy and hire the administrator.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member. I have never served on a Charter School Board, but I have served on several boards in my church. I believe I can be an effective board member because I am committed and dedicated to
anything I put my mind to, I understand governance and parliamentary procedures as I have been exposed to those things as a board member in the church.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board.
   I would bring the ability to listen and rationalize through the process of setting policies and procedures.

School Mission and Program

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs?
   That MCS will be a place that we teach students to learn through technology, and to connect them to people all across the world and help them to understand they are competing globally and not just locally.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program?
   That MCS will teach STREAM which is science, technology, reading, engineering, arts and math. That the school will use technology as a focal point and be a one to one school. Every student will have a device to learn on.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school?
   Qualified teachers, clean school environment, and the administrator needs to be qualified and able to lead.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission?
   By the test scores and the enthusiasm of the community and stakeholders.

Governance

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation.
   We will set the policies and not have control of the day to day operation of the school. If there is a grievance against the school, it would be handled by the board.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
   By the grades.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
   By the grades and how the students are succeeding in their personalized educational goals, and the surveys of the parents and staff.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
   Market the school, and be an advocate for the school in all areas.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
   I would bring it to the attention of the board, or possibly the board attorney.

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Certification

1, [Joyce Ann Williams], certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for [Charter School name] Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

[Signature]

9/27/18 [Date]
ROBERT L. WILLIAMS JR.
91 8th Street Maysville, N.C. 28555
bishoplwsotem@gmail.com | (646)533-9578

OBJECTIVE
To provide an overview of both my Professional and Ecclesiastical experiences.

SKILLS & ABILITIES
- National Incident Management Training Level I and II.
- Management Training from Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York City Transit.
- Management Manager, Emergency Automatic Train Supervision Trainer

EXPERIENCE
JOB TITLE COMPANY NAME
MAY 1983 - MAY 2011 MTA NEW YORK CITY TRANSIT
My primary responsibility was the safe and efficient provision of Train Service to the City of New York. My field of expertise was Automatic Train Supervision and Emergency Management.

EDUCATION
LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, BEEBE ARKANSAS
BACHELOR SCIENCE CHRISTIAN COUNSELLING, BACHELOR SCIENCE THEOLOGY

LEADERSHIP
- I am the District Bishop for the State of Pennsylvania, International Bible Way Church of the Lord Jesus Christ Inc. Assistant General Secretary, International Bible Way Church of the Lord Jesus Christ Inc.
- The Sr. Pastor/Establishmentarian of Salt of the Earth Ministries Inc/Salt of the Earth Ministries City of Hope Inc. Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. Former Chairperson on the Spirituality Committee of Monroe County United. Founding Member of Monroe County Homeless Initiative

REFERENCES
N. DARNELL DIXION, 1ST VICE-PRESIDING BISHOP, INTERNATIONAL BIBLE WAY CHURCH OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST INC.
1110 Holmes St. Raleigh N.C. 27601
Other References provided upon request
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Background
1. Name of charter school on whose Board of Directors you intend to serve: Mina’s Charter School

2. Full name: Robert L. Williams Jr

Home Address: 918th Street, Maysville North Carolina 28555
Business Name and Address: Salt of the Earth Ministries P.O. Box 1024 Albrightsville Pa 18210
Telephone No.: (570)421-1400
E-mail address: Bishopriwsotem@gmail.com

3. Brief educational and employment history.
- I have a BA in Theology and a BS in Christian Counseling from Lighthouse Christian College Beebe Arkansas
- Retired from New York City Transit Authority 2011 as a Desk Superintendent in NYCT Command Center.
- Volunteer Chaplin for MTA New York City Transit 20006 to Present
- Pastor of Mountaintop Christian Community Church Sciota, Pa November 2005 – May 2012
- Pastor of Salt of the Earth Ministries Wilkes-Barre Pa. 2010 – Present
- Pastor of Salt of the Earth Ministries Stroudsburg Pa. 2012 – Present
- Consecrated Bishop of International Bibleway Church of the Lord Jesus Christ 2012
- Appointed Assistant General Secretary of International Bibleway Church of Jesus July 2014 - Present

4. Have you previously served on a board of a school district, another charter school, a non-public school or any not-for-profit corporation?

   No: ☐  Yes ☑ x

5. How were you recruited to join this Board of Directors? Why do you wish to serve on the board of the proposed charter school?

   The vision for the Board was conceived by Dr. Shawn Williams in honor of our mother. I have held various elected positions and been a conduit to funding for various youth agencies in the past. Most notably The Science Skills Center as well as the Crown Heights Youth Collective both are Brooklyn, New York. I have long
been a proponent of Education for our communities and look forward to working with Dr. Williams and this board to impact the Lee County community.

6. What is your understanding of the appropriate role of a public charter school board member? Charter schools offer a viable alternative to traditional schools. They tend to have a higher ratio of students who go onto Colleges and Universities compared to traditional schools. This is facilitated through active engagement of the board members of the schools.

7. Describe any previous experience you have that is relevant to serving on the charter school’s board (e.g., other board service). If you have not had previous experience of this nature, explain why you have the capability to be an effective board member. During the mid-1980’s through the early 1990’s I chaired Area Policy Board 8 in Brooklyn New York. This board was responsible for disseminating Community Service Block Grant monies to Community based Organizations in the specified area. Our Board funded two start up organizations The Science Skills Center which has transitioned into a High School in the New York City Public School system and the Crown Heights Youth Collective. We were able to see the potential of both of these education-based entities and see them become hallmarks in the Central Brooklyn community.

8. Describe the specific knowledge and experience that you would bring to the board. I have strong organizational and managerial skillsets.

School Mission and Program

1. What is your understanding of the school’s mission and guiding beliefs? The mission of Mina’s Charter School is to encourage lifelong learners, to encourage students to be metacognitive and relevant in our technologically advance world.

2. What is your understanding of the school’s proposed educational program? Mina’s place will start with a limited population K thru 5 and will expand to higher grades yearly. The curriculum will be STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts and Math) driven.

3. What do you believe to be the characteristics of a successful school? Smaller class sizes, adaptive teaching skills, frequent coaching of teachers and intensive tutoring all contribute to a successful school.

4. How will you know that the school is succeeding (or not) in its mission? The Board will work in conjunction with the Lead Administrator who will be responsible for the day to day operation of the school. The board will also formulate work committees which will set and monitor the performance goals.

Governance

1. Describe the role that the board will play in the school’s operation. The Board of directors will be directly responsible for the governance of Mina’s Charter School (MCS). The specific responsibilities of the board shall include, but not be limited to the following: 1) defining MCS mission, vision, and direction. 2) Recruiting, hiring, supporting, and evaluating the school’s leaders; 3) Determining compensation for administration and original faculty 4) Supporting administration in carrying out the mission of the school 5) Vote on/approve all personnel decisions 6) Developing short and long term strategic plans for growth and sustainability with school leadership 7) monitoring financial management, programs and services 8) allocation of resources 9) requiring legal and ethical integrity as
well as accountability 10) Ensure compliance with NC Open Board Meeting Laws (NC General Statutes 143, Article 33C and all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations.

The board shall have a supervisory and oversight role with respect to the school’s lead administrator. The Board will hire/fire, evaluate and determine the compensation for the Lead Administrator. The Lead Administrator hires, supervises, evaluates and makes compensation decisions within budgetary parameters set by the board. Recruitment of the lead administrator will include federal, state, and area job postings online, educational printed publications, and classified advertising with the Employment Security Commission. Qualified applicants will be interviewed, undergo reference and background checks, and demonstrate a combination of leadership, experience, and education. The Board will focus its search on applicants with combinations of education, prior school administration experience and/or developmentally appropriate instructional practices.

2. How will you know if the school is successful at the end of the first year of operation?
Mina’s Charter School will measure our success by exceeding Lee County Schools test scores. MCS will be able to demonstrate an average attendance rate of 90%. MCS will retain an average of 85% of our students through the first year. MCS will also review and make remedial decisions predicated upon a Parental Satisfaction Survey.

3. How will you know at the end of five years of the schools is successful?
In addition to the above-mentioned criteria Mina’s Charter School will maintain a minimum of 90% retention of students and educators. MCS will show, in accordance with our Mission Statemen, that it’s students test results are equal to or exceeding national scores.

4. What specific steps do you think the charter school board will need to take to ensure that the school is successful?
Active engagement by all sectors of the school. Board members, educators, students and parents working together for a common goal of creating life-learners and viable participants in the national and global market place.

5. How would you handle a situation in which you believe one or more members of the school’s board were acting unethically or not in the best interests of the school?
If the conduct of a board member is alleged to be contrary to the wholeness of Mina’s Charter School or is known to be unethical, it will be directed to the Board of Directors for an investigation. Should the allegations be found credible than the board will move to remove the board member for cause from Mina’s Charter School Board of Directors.

*Please include the following with your Information Form
• a one page resume
• a national criminal background check

*If you responded within the application that disciplinary action has been taken against any past or present professional licenses, provide a detailed response below outlining the disciplinary action taken and the license validity.
Certification

I, Robert L. Williams Jr., certify to the best of my knowledge and ability that the information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as a prospective board member for Mint's Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

[Signature]

9/28/18

[Date]
BY LAWS

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Any or all of the directors may be removed for cause by action of the board. Directors may be removed due to nonfulfillment of duties required by board, misconduct, theft and misrepresentation of our organization by majority vote of the board members.

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A director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the board, the president or the secretary of the corporation. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt thereof by the board or such officer, and the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

7. QUORUM OF DIRECTORS.

Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, a majority of the entire board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business or any specified item of business.

8. ACTION OF THE BOARD.

Unless otherwise required by law, the vote of a majority of the directors present at the time of the vote, if a quorum is present at such time, shall be the act of the board. Each director present shall have one vote.

9. PLACE AND TIME OF BOARD MEETINGS.
The board may hold its meetings at the office of the corporation or at such other places, either within or without the state, as it may from time to time determine.

The Board of Directors shall meet at such times and dates as designated by the Board Chair or upon resolution of the Board. A director or directors may attend the meeting via virtual or phone communication and will be counted as present for the meeting. In addition to all meetings being held in full compliance with the North Carolina Open Meetings Law, N.C. General Statutes Sections 143-318.9-143-318.19, all meetings of the Board shall be held in an open, orderly, and fair manner.

10. REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING.

A regular annual meeting of the board shall be held.

11. NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, ADJOURNMENT.

Regular meetings of the board may be held without notice at such time and place, as it shall from time to time determine. Special meetings of the board shall be held upon notice to the directors and may be called by the president upon three days notice to each director either personally or by mail or by wire; special meetings shall be called by the president or by the secretary in a like manner on written request of two directors. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any director who submits a waiver of notice whether before or after the meeting or who attends the meeting without protesting prior thereto or at its commencement, the lack of notice to him.

A majority of the directors present, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any meeting to another time and place. Notice of the adjournment shall be given to all directors who were absent at the time of the adjournment and, unless such time and place are announced at the meeting, to the other directors.

12. CHAIRMAN.

At all meetings of the board the president, or in his absence, a chairperson chosen by the board shall preside.

13. EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMITTEES.

The board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire board, may designate from among its members an executive committee and other committees, each consisting of three or more directors. Each such committee shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

**ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS**

1. OFFICES, ELECTION, TERM.

Unless otherwise provided for in the certificate of incorporation, the board may elect or appoint a president, one or more vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer, and such other officers as it may determine who shall have such duties, powers and functions as hereinafter provided. All officers shall be elected or appointed to hold office until the meeting of the board. Each officer shall hold office for the term for which he is elected or appointed and until his successor has been elected or appointed and qualified.

2. REMOVAL OR RESIGNATION.
Any officer elected or appointed by the board may be removed by the board with or without cause. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of an officer, the board in its discretion may elect or appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of president, treasurer, and secretary.

3. PRESIDENT.

The president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation; he shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the board; he shall have the general management of the affairs of the corporation and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board are carried into effect.

4. VICE-PRESIDENTS.

During the absence or disability of the president, the vice-president, or if there are more than one, the executive vice-president, shall have all the powers and functions of the president. Each vice-president shall perform such other duties, as the board shall prescribe.

5. TREASURER.

The treasurer shall have the care and custody of all the funds and securities of the corporation, and shall deposit said funds in the name of the corporation in such bank or trust company as the directors may elect; he shall, when duly authorized by the board of directors, sign and execute all contracts in the name of the corporation, when countersigned by the president; he shall also sign all checks, drafts, notes, and orders for the payment of money, which shall be duly authorized by the board of directors and shall be countersigned by the president; he shall at all reasonable times exhibit his books and accounts to any director or member of the corporation upon application at the office of the corporation during ordinary business hours. At the end of each corporate year, he shall have an audit of the accounts of the corporation made by a committee appointed by the president, and shall present such audit in writing at the annual meeting of the board, at which time he shall also present an annual report setting forth in full the financial conditions of the corporation.

6. ASSISTANT-TREASURER.

During the absence or disability of the treasurer, the assistant-treasurer, or if there are more than one, the one so designated by the secretary or by the board, shall have the powers and functions of the treasurer.

7. SECRETARY.

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the board of directors and the minutes of the members. He shall have the custody of the seal of the corporation and shall affix and attest the same to documents when duly authorized by the board of directors. He shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the corporation, and shall have charge of such books and papers as the board of directors may direct; he shall attend to such correspondence as may be assigned to him, and perform all the duties incidental to his office. He shall keep a membership roll containing the names, alphabetically arranged, of all persons who are members of the corporation, showing their places of residence and the time when they became members.

8. ASSISTANT-SECRETARIES.

During the absence or disability of the secretary, the assistant-secretary, or if there are more than one, the one so designated by the secretary or by the board, shall have all the powers and functions of the secretary.
9. SURETIES AND BONDS.

In case the board shall so require, any officer or agent of the corporation shall execute to the corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the board may direct, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties to the corporation and including responsibility for negligence and for the accounting for all property, funds or securities of the corporation which may come into his hands.

ARTICLE V - CONSTRUCTION

If there be any conflict between the provisions of the certificate of incorporation and these by-laws, the provisions of the certificate of incorporation shall govern.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS

The by-laws may be adopted, amended or repealed by the board at the time they are entitled to vote in the election of directors. By-laws may also be adopted, amended or repealed by the board of directors but any by-law adopted, amended or repealed by the board may be amended by the board members entitled to vote thereon as herein before provided.

If any by-law regulating an impending election of directors is adopted, amended or repealed by the board, there shall be set forth in the notice of the next meeting of all board members for the election of directors the by-law so adopted, amended or repealed, together with a concise statement of the changes made.

ARTICLE VII - CONDUCT

Because of its strong beliefs in high moral standards based on traditional values, the organization reserves the right to expect from all of its officers and directors to maintain high moral standards and social values that do not conflict with traditional spiritual morals.

ARTICLE VIII - INDEMNITY

The Corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, and employees as follows:

Every director, officer, or employee of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be made a party, or in which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having been a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, whether or not he is a director, officer, employee, or agent at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases wherein the director, officer, employee, or agent is adjudicated guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties. The Corporation shall provide any person who is an officer, director, employee, or agent of the Corporation or was serving at the request of a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation the indemnity against expenses of suit, litigation, or other proceedings that is specifically permissible under applicable law.

ARTICLE IX - CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect the Mina’s Place, Inc. (hereinafter the “Organization”) interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might otherwise result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not
replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable organizations.

2. DEFINITIONS

A. Conflict of Interest
A conflict of interest is a set of circumstances that creates a risk that professional judgment or actions regarding a primary interest will be unduly influenced by a secondary interest.

For purposes of this provision, the term "interest" shall include personal interest, interest as director, officer, member, stockholder, shareholder, partner, manager, trustee or beneficiary of any concern and having an immediate family member who holds such an interest in any concern. The term "concern" shall mean any corporation, association, trust, partnership, limited liability entity, firm, person or other entity other than the organization.

B. Interested Person
An interested person includes: any director, officer, key employee, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below.

C. Financial Interest
A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

i. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement
ii. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement
iii. Within the last three years, been an employee of the organization or of an affiliate of the organization or who has a relative who is, or has been within the last three years, a key employee of the organization or of an affiliate;
iv. Received, or who has a relative who has received, in any of the last three fiscal years of the organization, more than $10,000 in direct compensation from the organization or from an affiliate of the organization (other than reimbursement for expenses reasonably incurred as a director or reasonable compensation for service as a director);
v. Current employment with, or a substantial financial interest in, any entity that has made payments to, or received payments from, the organization or an affiliate of the organization for property or services in an amount which, in any of the last three fiscal years, exceeds the lesser of $25,000 or two percent of the organization's consolidated gross revenues.
vi. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement. Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 2, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

D. Related Party
A Related Party includes officers and directors of the organization, as well as officers and directors of any affiliates of the organization. Also included are relatives of those persons and entities at least 35% owned by such persons.

E. Related Party Transaction
Related Party Transactions are defined as transactions between the organization, or any of its affiliates, and a Related Party.
3. PROCEDURES

A. Duty to Disclose
Prior to initial election and annually thereafter, each director must submit to the Secretary a signed written statement identifying, to the best of the director’s knowledge, (1) any entity of which the director is an officer, director, trustee, member, owner or employee, with which the organization has a relationship; and (2) any transaction in which the organization is a participant and in which the director might have a conflicting interest. The Secretary must provide copies of all such statements to the chair of the Audit Committee or, if none, to the chair of the Board.

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest to the Audit Committee or, if there is no Audit Committee, to the Board of Directors, and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

B. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists
After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the Audit Committee or Board of Directors meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon, so as to preclude any attempt by the conflicted person to influence improperly the deliberations or voting on the matter.

The remaining Audit Committee or Board of Directors members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists. The existence and resolution of the conflict shall be contemporaneously documented in the Organization records, including minutes of any meeting where the conflict is discussed or voted on.

C. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest
All potential conflicts that are disclosed shall be addressed in the following manner:

i. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.

ii. The chairperson of the Audit Committee or Board of Directors shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.

iii. After exercising due diligence, the Board of Directors or Audit Committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.

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D. Related Party Transactions
All Related Party Transactions must be disclosed and shall be addressed in the following manner:

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iii. Additional restrictions and procedures may be set forth in the organization’s governing documents or a policy adopted by the Board.

iv. No related party with an interest in a related party transaction may participate in deliberations or vote on the related party transaction, except that the Board or an authorized committee may request that such related party present information concerning the transaction at a meeting of the Board or such committee prior to commencement of deliberations or voting thereon.

v. Related Party Transactions are likely potential conflicts of interest and shall thus be disclosed, addressed, and documented in accordance with the procedures outlined in Article III, Sections A through C.

E. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy

If the Board of Directors or Audit Committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.

If, after hearing the member’s response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

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The minutes of the Board of Directors and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:

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C. Has agreed to comply with the policy;
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Appendix G
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To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

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On the 19 day of Sept, 2017.

[Signatures]

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Any or all of the directors may be removed for cause by action of the board. Directors may be removed due to nonfulfillment of duties required by board, misconduct, theft and misrepresentation of our organization by majority vote of the board members.

6. RESIGNATION.

A director may resign at any time by giving written notice to the board, the president or the secretary of the corporation. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt thereof by the board or such officer, and the acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

7. QUORUM OF DIRECTORS.

Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, a majority of the entire board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business or any specified item of business.

8. ACTION OF THE BOARD.

Unless otherwise required by law, the vote of a majority of the directors present at the time of the vote, if a quorum is present at such time, shall be the act of the board. Each director present shall have one vote.

9. PLACE AND TIME OF BOARD MEETINGS.
The board may hold its meetings at the office of the corporation or at such other places, either within or without the state, as it may from time to time determine.

The Board of Directors shall meet at such times and dates as designated by the Board Chair or upon resolution of the Board. A director or directors may attend the meeting via virtual or phone communication and will be counted as present for the meeting. In addition to all meetings being held in full compliance with the North Carolina Open Meetings Law, N.C. General Statutes Sections 143-318.9-143-318.19, all meetings of the Board shall be held in an open, orderly, and fair manner.

10. REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING.

A regular annual meeting of the board shall be held.

11. NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, ADJOURNMENT.

Regular meetings of the board may be held without notice at such time and place, as it shall from time to time determine. Special meetings of the board shall be held upon notice to the directors and may be called by the president upon three days notice to each director either personally or by mail or by wire; special meetings shall be called by the president or by the secretary in a like manner on written request of two directors. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any director who submits a waiver of notice whether before or after the meeting or who attends the meeting without protesting prior thereto or at its commencement, the lack of notice to him.

A majority of the directors present, whether not a quorum is present, may adjourn any meeting to another time and place. Notice of the adjournment shall be given to all directors who were absent at the time of the adjournment and, unless such time and place are announced at the meeting, to the other directors.

12. CHAIRMAN.

At all meetings of the board the president, or in his absence, a chairperson chosen by the board shall preside.

13. EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMITTEES.

The board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire board, may designate from among its members an executive committee and other committees, each consisting of three or more directors. Each such committee shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

1. OFFICES, ELECTION, TERM.

Unless otherwise provided for in the certificate of incorporation, the board may elect or appoint a president; one or more vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer, and such other officers as it may determine who shall have such duties, powers and functions as hereinafter provided. All officers shall be elected or appointed to hold office until the meeting of the board. Each officer shall hold office for the term for which he is elected or appointed and until his successor has been elected or appointed and qualified.

2. REMOVAL OR RESIGNATION.
Any officer elected or appointed by the board may be removed by the board with or without cause. In the event of the death, resignation or removal of an officer, the board in its discretion may elect or appoint a successor to fill the unexpired term. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of president, treasurer, and secretary.

3. PRESIDENT.

The president shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation; he shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the board; he shall have the general management of the affairs of the corporation and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the board are carried into effect.

4. VICE-PRESIDENTS.

During the absence or disability of the president, the vice-president, or if there are more than one, the executive vice-president, shall have all the powers and functions of the president. Each vice-president shall perform such other duties, as the board shall prescribe.

5. TREASURER.

The treasurer shall have the care and custody of all the funds and securities of the corporation, and shall deposit said funds in the name of the corporation in such bank or trust company as the directors may elect; he shall, when duly authorized by the board of directors, sign and execute all contracts in the name of the corporation, when countersigned by the president; he shall also sign all checks, drafts, notes, and orders for the payment of money, which shall be duly authorized by the board of directors and shall be countersigned by the president; he shall at all reasonable times exhibit his books and accounts to any director or member of the corporation upon application at the office of the corporation during ordinary business hours. At the end of each corporate year, he shall have an audit of the accounts of the corporation made by a committee appointed by the president, and shall present such audit in writing at the annual meeting of the board, at which time he shall also present an annual report setting forth in full the financial conditions of the corporation.

6. ASSISTANT-TREASURER.

During the absence or disability of the treasurer, the assistant-treasurer, or if there are more than one, the one so designated by the secretary or by the board, shall have the powers and functions of the treasurer.

7. SECRETARY.

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the board of directors and the minutes of the members. He shall have the custody of the seal of the corporation and shall affix and attest the same to documents when duly authorized by the board of directors. He shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the corporation, and shall have charge of such books and papers as the board of directors may direct; he shall attend to such correspondence as may be assigned to him, and perform all the duties incidental to his office. He shall keep a membership roll containing the names, alphabetically arranged, of all persons who are members of the corporation, showing their places of residence and the time when they became members.

8. ASSISTANT-SECRETARIES.

During the absence or disability of the secretary, the assistant-secretary, or if there are more than one, the one so designated by the secretary or by the board, shall have all the powers and functions of the secretary.
9. SURETIES AND BONDS.

In case the board shall so require, any officer or agent of the corporation shall execute to the corporation a bond in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the board may direct, conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties to the corporation and including responsibility for negligence and for the accounting for all property, funds or securities of the corporation which may come into his hands.

ARTICLE V - CONSTRUCTION

If there be any conflict between the provisions of the certificate of incorporation and these by-laws, the provisions of the certificate of incorporation shall govern.

ARTICLE VI - AMENDMENTS

The by-laws may be adopted, amended or repealed by the board at the time they are entitled to vote in the election of directors. By-laws may also be adopted, amended or repealed by the board of directors but any by-law adopted, amended or repealed by the board may be amended by the board members entitled to vote thereon as herein before provided.

If any by-law regulating an impending election of directors is adopted, amended or repealed by the board, there shall be set forth in the notice of the next meeting of all board members for the election of directors the by-law so adopted, amended or repealed, together with a concise statement of the changes made.

ARTICLE VII - CONDUCT

Because of its strong beliefs in high moral standards based on traditional values, the organization reserves the right to expect from all of its officers and directors to maintain high moral standards and social values that do not conflict with traditional spiritual morals.

ARTICLE VIII - INDEMNITY

The Corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, and employees as follows:

Every director, officer, or employee of the Corporation shall be indemnified by the Corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be made a party, or in which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having been a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation, whether or not he is a director, officer, employee, or agent at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases wherein the director, officer, employee, or agent is adjudicated guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties. The Corporation shall provide any person who is an officer, director, employee, or agent of the Corporation or was serving at the request of a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation the indemnity against expenses of suit, litigation, or other proceedings that is specifically permissible under applicable law.

ARTICLE IX - CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the conflict of interest policy is to protect the Mina's Place, Inc. (hereinafter the "Organization") interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an officer or director of the Organization or might otherwise result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not
2. DEFINITIONS

A. Conflict of Interest
A conflict of interest is a set of circumstances that creates a risk that professional judgment or actions regarding a primary interest will be unduly influenced by a secondary interest.

For purposes of this provision, the term "interest" shall include personal interest, interest as director, officer, member, stockholder, shareholder, partner, manager, trustee or beneficiary of any concern and having an immediate family member who holds such an interest in any concern. The term "concern" shall mean any corporation, association, trust, partnership, limited liability entity, firm, person or other entity other than the organization.

B. Interested Person
An interested person includes: any director, officer, key employee, or member of a committee with governing board delegated powers, who has a direct or indirect financial interest, as defined below.

C. Financial Interest
A person has a financial interest if the person has, directly or indirectly, through business, investment, or family:

i. An ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement

ii. A compensation arrangement with the Organization or with any entity or individual with which the Organization has a transaction or arrangement

iii. Within the last three years, been an employee of the organization or of an affiliate of the organization or who has a relative who is, or has been within the last three years, a key employee of the organization or of an affiliate;

iv. Received, or who has a relative who has received, in any of the last three fiscal years of the organization, more than $10,000 in direct compensation from the organization or from an affiliate of the organization (other than reimbursement for expenses reasonably incurred as a director or reasonable compensation for service as a director);

v. Current employment with, or a substantial financial interest in, any entity that has made payments to, or received payments from, the organization or an affiliate of the organization for property or services in an amount which, in any of the last three fiscal years, exceeds the lesser of $25,000 or two percent of the organization's consolidated gross revenues.

vi. A potential ownership or investment interest in, or compensation arrangement with, any entity or individual with which the Organization is negotiating a transaction or arrangement. Compensation includes direct and indirect remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are not insubstantial.

A financial interest is not necessarily a conflict of interest. Under Article III, Section 2, a person who has a financial interest may have a conflict of interest only if the appropriate governing board or committee decides that a conflict of interest exists.

D. Related Party
A Related Party includes officers and directors of the organization, as well as officers and directors of any affiliates of the organization. Also included are relatives of those persons and entities at least 35% owned by such persons.

E. Related Party Transaction
Related Party Transactions are defined as transactions between the organization, or any of its affiliates, and a Related Party.
3. PROCEDURES

A. Duty to Disclose
Prior to initial election and annually thereafter, each director must submit to the Secretary a signed written statement identifying, to the best of the director’s knowledge, (1) any entity of which the director is an officer, director, trustee, member, owner or employee, with which the organization has a relationship; and (2) any transaction in which the organization is a participant and in which the director might have a conflicting interest. The Secretary must provide copies of all such statements to the chair of the Audit Committee or, if none, to the chair of the Board.

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest to the Audit Committee or, if there is no Audit Committee, to the Board of Directors, and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

B. Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists
After disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, he/she shall leave the Audit Committee or Board of Directors meeting while the determination of a conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon, so as to preclude any attempt by the conflicted person to influence improperly the deliberations or voting on the matter.

The remaining Audit Committee or Board of Directors members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists. The existence and resolution of the conflict shall be contemporaneously documented in the Organization records, including minutes of any meeting where the conflict is discussed or voted on.

C. Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest
All potential conflicts that are disclosed shall be addressed in the following manner:

i. An interested person may make a presentation at the governing board or committee meeting, but after the presentation, he/she shall leave the meeting during the discussion of, and the vote on, the transaction or arrangement involving the possible conflict of interest.

ii. The chairperson of the Audit Committee or Board of Directors shall, if appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.

iii. After exercising due diligence, the Board of Directors or Audit Committee shall determine whether the Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.

iv. If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the Audit Committee of Board of Directors shall determine by a majority vote of the independent directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the Organization’s best interest, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. In conformity with the above determination it shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction or arrangement.

D. Related Party Transactions
All Related Party Transactions must be are disclosed and shall be addressed in the following manner:

i. The Organization may not enter into a related party transaction unless the Board of Directors determines that the transaction is fair, reasonable and in the organization’s best interest at the time of determination.

ii. A director, officer or key employee who has an interest in a related party transaction must disclose in good faith to the Board of Directors or an authorized Board committee the material facts concerning such interest.
iii. Additional restrictions and procedures may be set forth in the organization’s governing documents or a policy adopted by the Board.

iv. No related party with an interest in a related party transaction may participate in deliberations or vote on the related party transaction, except that the Board or an authorized committee may request that such related party present information concerning the transaction at a meeting of the Board or such committee prior to commencement of deliberations or voting thereon.

v. Related Party Transactions are likely potential conflicts of interest and shall thus be disclosed, addressed, and documented in accordance with the procedures outlined in Article III, Sections A through C.

E. Violations of the Conflicts of Interest Policy

If the Board of Directors or Audit Committee has reasonable cause to believe a member has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, it shall inform the member of the basis for such belief and afford the member an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.

If, after hearing the member’s response and after making further investigation as warranted by the circumstances, the governing board or committee determines the member has failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

4. RECORDS OF PROCEEDINGS

The minutes of the Board of Directors and all committees with board delegated powers shall contain:

The names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the governing board’s or committee’s decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.

The names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any votes taken in connection with the proceedings.

5. COMPENSATION

No person who may benefit from a compensation arrangement may be present at or otherwise participate in any Board or committee deliberation or vote concerning that person’s compensation, except that the Board or committee may request that the person present information as background or answer questions at a committee or Board meeting prior to the commencement of deliberations or voting thereon.

No voting member of the governing board or any committee whose jurisdiction includes compensation matters and who receives compensation, directly or indirectly, from the Organization, either individually or collectively, is prohibited from providing information to any committee regarding compensation.

6. ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Each director, officer and member of a committee with governing board delegated powers shall annually sign a statement which affirms such person:

A. Has received a copy of the conflicts of interest policy;
B. Has read and understands the policy;
C. Has agreed to comply with the policy;
D. Understands the Organization is charitable and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.
7. PERIODIC REVIEWS

To ensure the Organization operates in a manner consistent with charitable purposes and does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its tax-exempt status, periodic reviews shall be conducted. The periodic reviews shall, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

A. Whether compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable, based on competent survey information and the result of arm’s length bargaining.
B. Whether partnerships, joint ventures, and arrangements with management organizations conform to the Organization’s written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable investment or payments for goods and services, further charitable purposes and do not result in inurement, impermissible private benefit or in an excess benefit transaction.

8. USE OF OUTSIDE EXPERTS

When conducting the periodic reviews as provided for in Article VII, the Organization may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use shall not relieve the governing board of its responsibility for ensuring periodic reviews are conducted.

The foregoing By-Laws were adopted by the directors of:

Mina’s Place, Inc.

On the 19 day of Sept., 2017.

[Signatures]

President/Director

[Signatures]

Secretary/Director

[Signatures]

Treasurer/Director

[Signatures]

Director
To all whom these presents shall come, Greetings:

I, Elaine F. Marshall, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the following and hereto attached to be a true copy of

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

MINA'S PLACE, INC.

the original of which was filed in this office on the 4th day of April, 2016.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 4th day of April, 2016.
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State of North Carolina  
Department of the Secretary of State  

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
NONPROFIT CORPORATION

Pursuant to §55A-2-02 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned corporation does hereby submit these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation.

1. The name of the nonprofit corporation is: Mina's Place, Inc.

2. (Check only if applicable.) The corporation is a charitable or religious corporation as defined in NCGS §55A-1-40(4).

   X

3. The name of the initial registered agent is: Shawn Williams

4. The street address and county of the initial registered agent’s office of the corporation is:
   Number and Street: 3125 Hickory Hill Dr
   City: Sanford   State: NC   Zip Code: 27330   County: Lee

The mailing address if different from the street address of the initial registered agent’s office is:

   Number and Street or PO Box: ____________________________
   City: __________________ State: NC   Zip Code: _________   County: _______________

5. The name and address of each incorporator is as follows:
   Shawn Williams- 3125 Hickory Hill Dr, Sanford, NC 27330

6. (Check either a or b below.)
   a. The corporation will have members.
   b. X The corporation will not have members.

7. Attached are provisions regarding the distribution of the corporation’s assets upon its dissolution.

8. Any other provisions which the corporation elects to include are attached.
9. The street address and county of the principal office of the corporation is:

Principal Office Telephone Number: 252-671-0472

Number and Street: 3125 Hickory Hill Dr

City: Sanford State: NC Zip Code: 27330 County: Lee

The mailing address if different from the street address of the principal office is:

Number and Street or PO Box: 

City: State: Zip Code: County: 

10. (Optional): Please provide a business e-mail address: pastor-godspromise@mail.com

The Secretary of State's Office will e-mail the business automatically at the address provided at no charge when a document is filed. The e-mail provided will not be viewable on the website. For more information on why this service is being offered, please see the instructions for this document.

11. These articles will be effective upon filing, unless a future time and/or date is specified:

   This is the ___ day of __________, 20__

   (Incorporator Business Entity Name)

   Signature of Incorporator

   Shawn Williams

   Type or print Incorporator's name and title, if any

NOTES:
1. Filing fee is $60. This document must be filed with the Secretary of State.

CORPORATIONS DIVISION
Revised September, 2013
Appendix H

P. O. BOX 29622
RALEIGH, NC 27626-0622
Form N-01
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Hi Pastor Shawn,

Here is an educated guess on a quote for insurance for your charter school. We insure many schools with comprehensive coverage and that is what we would provide for you.

The total cost would run about $13,000 for the following:

- $100,000 of Personal Property
- $250,000 Employee Dishonesty Bond
- $1,000,000/$3,000,000 General Liability
- $1,000,000 Errors and Omission
- $1,000,000 of Rental/Nonowned auto coverage
- $1,000,000/$3,000,000 Sexual molestation
- $1,000,000/$3,000,000 Employee Benefits
- $1,000,000 Employment Practices Liability
- $1,000,000 Directors and Officers

One coverage I would recommend getting is Cyber Liability. Schools and Healthcare industries have been target by Cyber Crime due to their gathering of confidential information. A $1,000,000 of coverage would cost about $1,500.

**Workers Compensation**

Based on the information you sent me it would cost approximately $9,900

- Admin and Support $335,775
- Instructional Personnel $1,556,952

Please review and let me know if you have any questions.
Sincerely,

Daniel

Daniel P. Burrell, LUTC
Account Executive
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Dburrell@AmericanChurchGroup.com
www.AmericanChurchGroup.com/northcarolina
www.Brotherhoodmutual.com
PROFESSIONAL OBJECTIVE
School administrator and curriculum leader seeking the opportunity to lead an alternative school whose students become successful citizens in the 21st century. It is my goal to help students and teachers develop leadership skills, be lifelong learners, problem solvers, and technology savvy individuals who have the skills and life lessons needed to be productive members of society.

EXPERIENCE

JULY 2003 – DECEMBER 2017
PRINCIPAL, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, TEACHER, AND ACT/SAT COORDINATOR
LEE COUNTY SCHOOLS
As an educational leader for students and staff, it was my responsibility to provide daily challenges and opportunities for learning and growth. When not directly engaged with students, I helped all school personnel continue to grow so students were provided the opportunities to use and develop their individual talents and skills.

JULY 1998 – JUNE 2003
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL AND DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT
MOORE COUNTY SCHOOLS
As an assistant principal at Union Pines High School my primary focus was curricula, teacher and student accountability, student success for grades 9 and 11, and all other duties as assigned by the principal. From 2000 – 2003, I served as the Director of Human Resources and Staff Development. New programs were implemented, training was provided for continued certified and classified certifications, state and federal guidelines were met, and recruitment needs were fulfilled to keep the number of unfilled positions to a minimum.

JULY 1982 – JUNE 1998
INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS AND MATH TEACHER AT THE JUNIOR AND MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVELS
LEE COUNTY SCHOOLS
As a teacher, my goal was to challenge students to understand and apply the curriculum as it related to “real world life skills” and accountability demands. Learning was fun, relevant, and enjoyable while modeling skills needed for student success.

Other job information is available upon request.
EDUCATION

MAY 1998
MASTERS SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION, FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY

MAY 1995
GRADUATE LEVEL COURSE WORK FOR MENTOR CERTIFICATION AND MENTOR EDUCATOR TRAINING, NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

MAY 1980
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE – BUSINESS EDUCATION - COMPREHENSIVE, FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
Graduated Magna Cum Laude with Comprehensive Degree in Business Education.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Lee County Schools’ Principal of the Year, 2005-2006

Moore County Leadership Academy – Graduate

Moore County Schools Assistant Principal Academy - Graduate


Whose Who Among Teachers of America

Whose Who Among Graduate Students of America

Mentor Certification

Mentor Educator

Lee County Leadership Academy

Geometry Strategies Grades 6-9 .....- Contributor

1991 West Lee Middle School Teacher of the Year
The Board of Directors for MINA Charter School of Lee County is seeking feedback from the community to evaluate the amount of interest in a new school option for the families of Lee County and the surrounding areas. The proposed school will be located in Sanford, NC, and will aim to serve students in Kindergarten through 8th grade.

We would greatly appreciate your feedback through this survey so that we can better understand the needs of the families we hope to have the chance to serve, and the students that may join us at our school.

**Full Name** * ____________________________________________________________________________

**Email Address** * ____________________________________________________________________________

1. **In what county do you reside?**
   - ○ Chatham County
   - ○ Cumberland County
   - ○ Harnett County
   - ○ Lee County
   - ○ Moore County
   - ○ Orange County
   - ○ Wake County
   - ○ Other ____________________________________________________________________________

2. **How many children do you have that will be in grades K-5 for the 2019-2020 School Year?**
   - ○ 0
   - ○ 1 Grade: __________
   - ○ 2 Grade(s): __________
   - ○ 3 Grade(s): __________
   - ○ 4 Grade(s): __________
   - ○ 5+ Grade(s): __________

3. **Are you currently satisfied with the options for free public education in your area?** *
   - ○ ( ) Yes
   - ○ ( ) No
   - ○ ( ) Other: ____________________________________________________________________________

4. **MINA Charter School is envisioned as a school specifically created to empower and inspire students to be lifelong learners, innovative thinkers and global citizens. In your opinion, does your current school serve as a nurturing center of academic accomplishment that will enhance students’ opportunities to compete academically, socially, and in the workforce?**
   - ○ ( ) Yes
   - ○ ( ) No
5. A charter school is a free admission public school that receives greater flexibility over operations from the state of North Carolina, in exchange for increased performance accountability. The school is established by a “charter,” which is a performance contract describing key elements of the school.

The MINA Charter School will be a bi-lingual (Spanish & English) school that intends to utilize the project-based learning STREAM curriculum, which is focused on Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Arts and Math

On a scale of 1-5 with 1 being not at all likely, and 5 being extremely likely, how likely would you be to enroll your K-5 child(ren) into a Lee County Charter School with a STREAM curriculum?

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6. FOR SURVEY PURPOSES ONLY, what is your ethnicity? (Our goal is to make sure our community is well represented by this survey, and that all groups are represented fairly and accurately.)

- Asian / Pacific Islander
- Black
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native American
- White
- Bi or Multi Racial
- Other ____________________
- Prefer not to answer

7. Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. If you have any other comments to share with us, or if there is anything else that you think we should consider in this process, please write below.

________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________

8. If you would you be willing to answer some additional questions to help us further refine the vision for this Charter School, please continue to the next page. This should take no more than 5 minutes. If not, thank you for your time and thoughts.
Thank You for your willingness to answer some additional questions, this should take no more than 5 minutes.

1. How important would the following elements be to you in a Lee County Charter School?

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2. Do you have any additional comments about what you would like to see in a Lee County Charter school?
Appendix P:
Charter School Required Signature Certification

Note: Outlined below is a list of areas that must be certified by the proposed Board of Directors. Any forms Not Applicable to the proposed charter school indicate below with N/A and provide a brief explanation for providing such response.

Serving on a public charter school board is a position of public trust and board members of a North Carolina public charter school: you are responsible for ensuring the quality of the school’s entire program, competent stewardship of public funds, the school’s fulfillment of its public obligations, all terms of its charter, and understanding/overscoring all third party contracts with individuals or companies.

- The selected Board Attorney that he/she has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the governance documents and liabilities associated with being on the Board of a Non Profit Corporation.
  - Name of the Selected Board Attorney: Wilson Reaves and Silverman
  - Date of Review: 09/27/2018
  - Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):

- The selected Board Auditor that he/she has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the items required for the annual audit and 990 preparations.
  - Name of the Selected Board Auditor:
  - Date of Review:
  - Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):
If contracting with a CMO/EMO, that the selected management company has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the items required and the associated management contract and operations.

- Name of the Contact for Selected EMO/CMO: ____________________________
- Date of Review: ____________________________
- Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________

If contracting with a financial management service provider that the selected financial service provider has reviewed with the full Board of Directors, listed within the application, all the financial processes and services provided.

- Name of the Contact: ____________________________
- Name of the Selected Financial Service Provider: ____________________________
- Date of Review: ____________________________
- Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
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If the proposed Board of Directors, listed within the application, is contracting with a service provider to operate PowerSchool that the service provider has reviewed all of the financial processes and services provided.

- Name of the Contact: ____________________________
- Name of the Selected PowerSchool Service Provider: ____________________________
- Date of Review: ____________________________
- Signature of Board Members Present (Add Signature Lines as Needed):
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________
  - ____________________________

Certification:

I, ____________________________, as Board Chair, certify that each Board Member has reviewed and participated in the selection of the individuals and vendors attached to this document as evidenced by the full Board of Director signatures outlined above. The information I am providing to the North Carolina State Board of Education as Charter School is true and correct in every respect.

__________________________  ____________________________
Signature                                      Date