

RESOLUTION NO. 3-31-2016-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE DREXEL FOUNDATION FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE, INC. ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF KEISHA L. WHITE AND JAMES L. HARRIS

WHEREAS, The Drexel Foundation for Educational Excellence, Inc. (Foundation) and Thea Bowman Leadership Academy (TBLA) was created nearly 13 years ago;

WHEREAS, During that period of time TBLA experienced substantial growth and established itself as an educational leader in northwest Indiana;

WHEREAS, Ball State University has focused on governance issues of the Foundation;

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2016 the Foundation received a letter from Ball State University indicating that it would not renew Thea Bowman Leadership Academy's charter effective June 30, 2016;

WHEREAS, On January 21, 2016 the Foundation requested that Ball State University reconsider its decision not to renew the charter contact related to TBLA and requested a hearing;

WHEREAS, On February 22, 2016 the Foundation notified Ball State University that it has decided to abandon its request for reconsideration due to the energy and resources necessary to prepare and participate in a hearing and the uncertainty of the result;

WHEREAS, The Foundation has decided to focus all of its energy on finding an authorizer and entering a charter school contract with another entity;

WHEREAS, It has been determined that the resignation of some board members and the creation of a new board is the foundational step in securing new authorization and entering into a new charter school contract;

WHEREAS, In the interest of maintaining the TBLA, the following individuals hereby resign their position as a board members for the Foundation effective March 31, 2016;

1. Keisha L. White
2. James L. Harris

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD that the resignation of the aforesaid board members is accepted and retention of the aforementioned board members is approved.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 31th day of March 2016.

BY: _____
Keisha White, President

ATTEST:

Shelly Fisher, Secretary