



Great Hearts Texas Staff and Families,

The Great Hearts Texas Board of Directors met yesterday to discuss and vote on some significant matters shaping Great Hearts Texas' future. First, the Board accepted Superintendent Brendan Miniters' resignation and appointed Kurtis Indorf as Interim Superintendent. Secondly, the Board voted to appoint two Great Hearts Texas parents as new board members in an effort to expand parent representation. Jonathan Sanford, Ph.D., and Brandon Byrne, Esq. were appointed.

Following discussions over the past few months, the Board accepted Mr. Miniters' resignation. We want to thank Mr. Miniters for his dedicated service and leadership during his time with Great Hearts Texas. Mr. Miniters has played a crucial role in guiding the organization through challenging times over the last two years, and his efforts have not gone unnoticed. Under his leadership, Great Hearts Texas achieved numerous milestones, including improved academic and financial ratings and efforts to bring the organization into compliance on various legal and regulatory matters. Mr. Miniters also spearheaded initiatives that led to increased enrollment, enhanced campus security, and established a top-notch senior leadership team.

We are excited to announce that Kurtis Indorf has been selected and approved as the Interim Superintendent. Mr. Indorf first joined Great Hearts Texas in 2019 as the Executive Director of Instruction, building Great Hearts Texas' academic strategy and team, including a coherent professional development program and a strong focus on instructional coaching and teacher support. In response to the need for more innovative education options, Mr. Indorf became the Founder and President of Great Hearts Nova, a "new classical models" division: first developing and growing Great Hearts Online across Texas and Arizona and then Great Hearts Microschools. Upon the successful launch and scaling of Great Hearts Online and other innovative Great Hearts models, Mr. Indorf was promoted and served as the Chief Innovation Officer for Great Hearts America. A current Great Hearts Texas parent, he is honored to rejoin the Great Hearts family, bringing a wealth of experience, a passion for education that aligns with our values, and strong Texas education relationships.

With respect to our newly appointed board members, Dr. Sanford is President of the University of Dallas, one of the top classical education institutions in the country. His children have been enrolled at Great Hearts Irving since 2017. Mr. Byrne is a partner at Norton Rose Fulbright, a global law firm in Dallas. His children have been enrolled at Great Hearts Irving since 2015. These two new members are subject to approval by Great Hearts America before beginning their tenure at the first regular Great Hearts Texas Board meeting in 2024.

We know transitions can be challenging, but we are confident that with Mr. Indorf at the helm and an expanded Board, Great Hearts Texas will continue to thrive and provide an exceptional classical educational experience for our students.

Thank you for your continued support as we embark on this new chapter for the Great Hearts Texas community.

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