

Meeting Date Held: 2/22/2022

Time Held: 6:09 – 7:19 p.m.

1. Call to order, Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Patrica Farley at 6:09 pm. Present directors were, Karen Vaughan, Carmen Gilbert, Barbara Wiggins, Lisa Windom, Gyna Castillo, Jules Schoolmeester, Tara Meierkord, and Rosiland Bivings. Absent was Greg Esposito.

Also present were non-voting participants, Krista Yarberry (Executive Director) and Angela Zobrack (Head of School).

2. For Action (Last Months Board Minutes)

Director Meierkord made a motion to approve last month's minutes; Ms. Schoolmeester seconded the motion. The motion passed, unanimously.

3. For Information (Board President Updates)

Board Present Farley updated the board on the success we are having with our community partners. The board was updated on the success working with Channel 8. We are already getting interest calls from the spotlight being aired on channel 8. The promotional video will be posted to the board so everyone can see this great report on our school. The board will be looking for other community partners. Directors Wiggins and Bivings, along with President Farley are working on securing additional community partners.

President Farley updated the board on the status with our MOU, GALS Inc. We are in negotiations to determine our future with GALS. Discussions centered on continuing with GALS, going forward without a MOU, or looking for a new MOU for the future. Future information will be presented to the board at the next board meeting unless it becomes necessary for the board to meet sooner.

President Farley updated the board on the progress on our lease issues. Director Esposito has been working with the landlord to fix issues discussed last meeting. The situation has improved, and we are considering different solutions for next year. More needed space will require more rent. This may result in a rent increase which will be covered in financial projection for next year. The board thanked Director Esposito for his hard work.

4. For Information (ED/HOS Reports)

Ms. Yarberry updated the board on the progress of our school dealing with COVID. Everything is going well. There have been no issues. We are following the set procedures from the State and Nevada Charter Authority.

Our enrollment is holding at 100 students for this year. For 2022-23 school year, we already have 76 already registered. (39 - 8th graders, 34 – 7th graders including 1 new student) We also have 12 - 6th graders in the process of registering. Our goal for next year is 150 to 175 total students. The board thanked Ms. Yarberry and Ms. Zobrack for their hard working. We feel very lucky to have them at our school.

5. Information and Possible Action (Transgender Policy)

Ms. Vaughan presented the draft of the Transgender Policy to the board. We are waiting for our attorney's report before we vote on this policy. The vote was tabled to next meeting.

6. Information (Treasurer's Report)

Board Treasurer Meierkord reported that our books are finally updated and functioning so we can see a true picture of our financial situation. The board thanked Ms. Meierkord for her diligence in accomplishing this task. Ms. Meierkord also reported that we are in a better position than originally thought. Our cash flow as it stands now is manageable and sustainable. There are no issues making it through this school year. We will have a surplus of \$132,00 this year which will help us plan for next school year. The Cares Act and CSP funding has helped get us to this position. The board was presented forecast models for next year based on both 150 and 175 students. The new reports also include funding if the need for rebranding should arise. Treasurer Meierkord suggested that the board meetings be moved later in the month so we could have the prior months finances included in monthly reports.

7. For Information (Next Board Meeting)

The next board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 21, 2022, from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M. at GALS Las Vegas School and virtually on Zoom.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.