

Approved by the Board of Directors May 19, 2022

Mission Statement: *“We are a community of learners. We will do whatever it takes to learn. We are building a strong foundation by believing we can, working our plan, then feeling the power of success.”*

George Washington Academy
Thursday, April 28, 2022
7:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

Location: George Washington Academy
2277 South 3000 East
St. George, Utah
Library

The meeting will also be available through Zoom. Anyone interested in participating via Zoom conferencing can email Shannon Greer at sgreer@gwacademy.org for call-in information.

There will be no board training prior to the board meeting.

The Board meeting will convene at 7:30 p.m.

Board Welcome: Shannon Greer, President

Roll Call: Shannon Greer, President

Prayer: Kevin Peterson

Pledge of Allegiance: Steve Erickson

Board Members Present: Shannon Greer, April Paxton, Rachel Stewart, Casey Unrein, Kevin Peterson, Jaycee Rogers, Rachel Stewart, Blake Clark and Shauna Mahoney.

Board Members Absent: Holly Myers

Others Present: Spencer Adams, Linnie Lindsey, Christine Giles, Kim Townes, LaNessa Stevens, Steve Erickson, Chance Manzanares, and Debbie Kuavaka.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the March 24, 2022 Board Meeting

Kevin Peterson motioned to approve the minutes from the March 24, 2022 Board Meeting. April seconded. The motion passed unanimously (Shannon Greer, April Paxton, Rachel Stewart, Casey Unrein, Kevin Peterson, Jaycee Rogers, Rachel Stewart, and Shauna Mahoney voted in favor).

Public Opportunity to Address the Board: None

Set time for adjournment

The time set for adjournment was set at 8:19 p.m.

Teacher Representative Report:

Linnie Lindsey reported that all the teachers and students are preparing for leadership day. Students will be taking a leadership role highlighting that GWA is a Light House School with Leader In Me. The students will display art, share a skit from Willy Wonka, and student work among many things. She reported that the Willy Wonka performance was a success. Teachers and students are also participating in field trips.

Christine Giles reported that RISE Assessments have begun. Students are supporting each other through the assessment process. She expressed teacher appreciation for the teacher “moment” day that was camping themed.

Administration Report: Blake Clark, Executive Director, reported that all reports are complete. He discussed the RISE and Acadience data on the Board Update and expressed that the data is not final, but the results are looking good.

Financial Report: Spencer Adams, Business Administrator, reported the budget report is three quarters of the way through the fiscal year. Revenues are on track with the local and state comparisons. Expenses are showing a lot of savings. Ratios are looking healthy. He reported that the financial reports for April are complete.

Committee Reports (3 min each):

- **Policies Committee** – Blake Clark reported that some changes were made to the wording to the volunteer hours policy due to a request from the state.
- **Finance Committee** – Kevin Peterson explained that some bonds are due in 2026. The Finance Committee is working on planning out the next couple of years.
- **Benefits Committee** – Blake Clark reported that the teachers are participating in a Steps competition.
- **Curriculum Committee** – Shannon Greer reported that the curriculum committee met with Amplify to discuss a science curriculum for 6th and 7th grades.
- **Outreach Committee** – Nothing to report.
- **Technology Committee** – Shannon Greer asked about purchasing old projectors. The assistant director said he would look into that more.
- **LAND Trust Committee** – Kevin Peterson reported that reports have been turned in.
- **PTO Committee** – April Paxton reported that the PTO finished the art competition and it went well. She expressed the concern in getting more volunteers in the school and on PTO. Shannon Greer asked that the Board advocates for the PTO and find ways to support that committee. Shauna Mahoney expressed concern that she is not receiving the Patriot Update emails. Shannon Greer asked administration to look into whether there is a problem with parents receiving the Patriot Update. April suggested that ideas could be generated to just get the parents in the door through the lunchroom, classroom help, etc.

Shannon Greer recommended reestablishing the culture. April mentioned that teacher appreciation is the first week of May.

- **Board Development Committee** – Shannon Greer reported that the executive director evaluations is wrapping up. The next board training will be a UPACS training.
- **Campus Management Committee** – Steve Erickson reported that the officer liaison attended recent emergency drills. He (officer liaison) asked administration to provide a training on Epi-Pens.

Discussion and/or Action Items:

- Expenditures over \$5,000
- **HVAC Billing (Included for update purposes only)**
- **FY23 Salary Schedule Changes:** April Paxton made a motion to approve the FY23 Salary Schedule Changes as presented in the board packet. Shauna Mahoney seconded. The motion passed unanimously (Shannon Greer, April Paxton, Rachel Stewart, Casey Unrein, Kevin Peterson, Jaycee Rogers, Rachel Stewart, and Shauna Mahoney voted in favor).
- **Leader in Me Yearly Membership:** Kevin Peterson made a motion to approve the Leader in Me Yearly Membership as presented in the board packet. Rachel Stewart seconded. Shannon Greer asked about the benefit of the coaching subscription. Blake Clark reported that the coaching subscription has greatly benefited the school in terms of providing feedback on leadership activities and how to improve student leadership opportunities. The motion passed unanimously (Shannon Greer, April Paxton, Rachel Stewart, Casey Unrein, Kevin Peterson, Jaycee Rogers, Rachel Stewart, and Shauna Mahoney voted in favor).

Closed Meeting – *none*

Reconvene — The Board reconvened at 8:36 p.m.

Next Meeting: The next regular Board Meeting will be held on May 26, 2022 at 7:30pm.

Adjournment

Submitted by Jaycee Rogers, Board Secretary