

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON MAY 16, 2019

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 25, 2019
7:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

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

A Board work session was held at 6:00 p.m.

Work Session: Legislative Update (Erin Preston)

The Board meeting convened at 7:30 p.m. following the work session.

Board Members Present: Shannon Greer, President; Patrick Carroll, Vice President; Matt Hafen, Secretary; Anthony Haun; Javier Jimenez; Holly Myers; and Blake Clark, Executive Director.

Board Members Absent: David Ellis.

Others Present: Steve Ercikson; LaNessa Stevens; Spencer Adams; Kaitlyn Oglesby; Marci Abboud; Brandon Winn; Marica McMicken

Board Welcome: Shannon Greer, President

Roll Call: Shannon Greer, President

Pledge of Allegiance: Anthony Haun

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Jimenez motioned to approve the Minutes from the March 28, 2019 Board Meeting as presented in the Board Packet. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Teacher Representative Report: Kaitlyn Oglesby, on behalf of the teachers, thanked the PTO for the teacher dinner. She also shared that the DIBELS assessment is going on in the lower grades, and Kindergarten wanted to report that they are 1% above their goal. Marci Abboud reported that the maturation class is being held this week.

Administration Report: Mr. Clark, Executive Director, reported that current enrollment is 1,009. He reported that the STEM Expo had a lot more people than they anticipated. Hope and Kindness week

was a great success. This Saturday is the GWA Gives Back event. A researcher from the University of Utah came and reported that she has never seen Tier 1 like she saw at our school and raved about GWA teachers.

Financial Report: Mr. Adams reported that we are $\frac{3}{4}$ through the fiscal year and everything is looking really good. Everything is looking healthy looking towards the end of the year. All April reports have been submitted.

Committee Reports:

Policies Committee – Mr. Clark, Chair, had nothing to report.

Finance Committee – Mr. Carroll, Chair, reported that the committee met to review the 2019-2020 budget. Mr. Clark, Mr. Erickson and Mr. Adams have been working hard to put a draft together.

Benefits Committee – Nothing to report.

Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Stevens reported that the committee is in the process of redefining and fine tuning grading. They are looking at research to determine what is best for the students.

Outreach Committee – Mrs. Myers, Chair, reported that the committee met and had a good discussion about the committee. Mrs. Myers has started a sample marketing plan for next year to discuss in the future. They had a successful press release for the STEM fair.

Technology Committee – Mr. Erickson, Chair reported that the committee met and worked on its budget for next year.

LAND Trust Committee – Nothing to report.

PTO Committee – Mr. Haun, Chair, reported that the PTO is getting ready for end-of-year initiatives (graduation, teacher appreciation). They brought in \$17,920 from the Book Fair. Mrs. Greer asked for an update on the PTO Board Representative.

Board Development Committee – Mrs. Greer, Chair, reported that the Outreach Committee will be presenting next month. We are looking for one Board member, as Mr. Ellis will be stepping down at the end of his term. Mrs. Greer asked that the Board consider individuals who may be interested in serving, including individuals with no children at GWA.

Campus Management Committee – Mr. Erickson, Chair, reported that they have done a fire drill and an earthquake drill. They have several facilities projects that will happen over the summer.

Academic Excellence Committee – Mrs. McMicken, Chair, reported that in 2017, 27 students opted out of state testing, in 2018, 66 students opted out, and this year we are at 27 students opting out. DIBELS is ending next week and the statistics look good at this point. RISE testing is moving forward. 3rd Graders have completed their testing.

Additional Discussion and/or Action Items:

The Board reviewed bids for sealing the parking lot. The committee recommended going with Holbrook again. Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the Parking Lot Sealing bid from Holbrook in the amount of \$14,284.68. Mr. Haun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the bids to install handicap closers. Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the handicap closers bid in the amount of \$4,700 from GCH. Mr. Jimenez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the revised GWA Reading Assessment Procedure provided in the Board Packet. The assessment of fluency was removed. No vote was required.

The Board discussed the revised GWA Special Education Policies and Procedures Manual provided in the Board Packet. Mr. Jimenez motioned to approve the manual as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed two new Charter Goals to submit to the state. The Board approved revised goals for Mrs. Greer to submit to the state. Mr. Carroll motioned to send the revised goals to the state, and Mr. Hafen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

No closed meeting was held.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on May 16, 2019.

Mr. Carroll motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

Respectfully submitted by Matt Hafen, Board Secretary