

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON MAY 27, 2021

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 22, 2021

7:30 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

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

Board Welcome: Shannon Greer, President

Roll Call: Shannon Greer, President

Prayer: Holly Myers

Pledge of Allegiance: Blake Clark

Board Members Present: Shannon Greer, President; Matt Hafen, Secretary; Kevin Peterson; Blake Clark, Executive Director; April Paxton; Javier Jimenez; Holly Myers; and Rachel Stewart were present in person. Patrick Carroll attended by phone until 8pm, at which time he joined in person.

Board Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Steve Erickson; LaNessa Stevens; Kaitlyn Oglesby; Linnie Lindsay; Spencer Adams; Casey Unrein; Anjanae Merida; Debbie Kauvaka; and Chance Manzanerez attended in person.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Peterson motioned to approve the Minutes from March 25, 2021 Board Meeting as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Opportunity to Address the Board:

The Board set the time for adjournment at 8:30pm.

Teacher Representative Report: Teacher Representative, Mrs. Lindsay, reported that teachers just finished up SEP week and enjoyed meeting with all of the parents. They are also in the middle of RISE testing and finishing up with that. The kids are all excited about the fundraising events. Mrs. Oglesby thanked the PTO for the dinner they provided to the teachers.

Administration Report: Mr. Clark, Executive Director, reported the Board Update. We are at 1,006 enrollment. He reported the School Climate Survey results.

Financial Report: Mr. Spencer reported the Financial Summary as of March 31, 2021 and the Financial Detail Report as of March 31, 2021. He reported that the financial statements are looking healthy. Revenues are right on track. Expenses are in good shape, we are on track for the full year in general – there will likely be some savings in addition to what was budgeted for this year.

Committee Reports:

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

Finance Committee – A budget will be provided for review next Board Meeting.

Benefits Committee – Nothing to report.

Curriculum Committee – Mrs. Stevens, Chair, reported that a huge decision has been made to transition the Math curriculum.

Outreach Committee – Nothing to report.

Technology Committee – Nothing to report.

LAND Trust Committee – Nothing to report.

PTO Committee – April Paxton, Chair, reported that they are still looking to fill their Board. They had the biggest book fair ever. They are looking for ways to attract parents to their meetings.

Board Development Committee – Shannon Greer, Chair, reported that next week we have Erin Preston giving a legislative update at 6pm at GWA.

Campus Management Committee – Nothing to report.

Discussion and/or Action Items:

Mrs. Myers motioned to approve the Leader in Me Subscription / Training purchase order in the amount of \$21,564.76 as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Peterson motioned to approve the CKLA Amplify K-5 CKLA Annual purchase order for 2021-2022 in the amount of \$38,337.84 as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Peterson motioned to approve the HMH Collection Close Readers purchase order for 2021-2022 in the amount of \$8,840 as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Paxton seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the HMH Into Math 3-year purchase for 2021-2024 in the amount of \$129,346.91 as provided in the Board Packet. Mr. Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mrs. Stevens reported that the ongoing costs for the curriculum will be around \$40,000 per year. Mrs. Stevens discussed the process that went into deciding on the new curriculum. Teachers determined that there were gaps in Saxon Math. Their expectation is that students will be able to learn

math better, as well as perform better in math standardized testing. The curriculum will be ordered tomorrow. They will make sure that they order and receive it in the same fiscal year.

Mrs. Myers motioned to approve the 2021-2022 School Calendar Revision as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Paxton seconded the motion. Mr. Clark reported that this will mirror the Washington County School District by taking two more teacher prep days on September 17th and January 5th. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Paxton motioned to approve the proposal for an increase to salary schedules as presented in the Board Packet. Mr. Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mr. Carroll asked for clarification that the working budget already reflects this change, and they confirmed that it is correct. Mr. Clark reported that after this change, GWA's compensation will be 4% ahead of Washington County School District. The motion passed unanimously.

No closed meeting was held.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held May 27, 2021 at 7:30pm.

Mr. Carroll motioned to adjourn the Board Meeting. Mr. Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 8:37p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Matt Hafen, Board Secretary