

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON JULY 22, 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, June 24, 2021**

**7:30 p.m.**

### **Board Meeting Minutes**

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

*The Board was held at 7 p.m. prior to the Board Meeting*

**Training:** Shannon Greer presented on the Board Evaluation

*The Board meeting convened at 7:40 p.m.*

**Board Welcome:** Shannon Greer, President

**Roll Call:** Shannon Greer, President

**Prayer:** April Paxton

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Kevin Peterson

**Board Members Present:** Shannon Greer, President; Patrick Carroll, CFO; Matt Hafen, Secretary; Blake Clark, Executive Director; April Paxton; and Rachel Stewart were present in person. Jaycee Rogers, Casey Unrein, and Shauna Mahoney, who were sworn in as Board Members at the end of the meeting, were also present.

**Board Members Absent:** Kevin Peterson and Holly Myers.

**Others Present:** LaNessa Stevens; Chance Manzanerez; Spencer Adams; Mrs. Giles; Mrs. Lindsay.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mrs. Stewart motioned to approve the Minutes from the May 27, 2021 Board Meeting as presented in the Board Packet. The Board discussed revising the Minutes to reflect the roll call vote for the first Closed Session. Mrs. Paxton seconded the motion to approve the Minutes as amended, which passed unanimously.

There were no public comments.

Adjournment was set for 9:07 p.m.

**Teacher Representative Report:** Mrs. Lindsay reported on the UAPCS conference they attended two weeks ago with about 20 people from GWA. We received the award for the #1 Charter School in Utah. It was a great time of learning and team building to be together. It also built a lot of pride and excitement to be recognized as a school for everything the school does. Mrs. Giles reported that at the end of the

school year, they received a wonderful training with strategies to help students that need more support. They appreciated the opportunity to attend the training.

**Administration Report:** Blake Clark, Executive Director, reported that we are currently at 1,060 enrollment which would be the highest ever for GWA. There is a waitlist at every grade except for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade. All required state reports have been completed. We had many teachers, staff, and administrators nominated for awards at the UAPCS Conference, in addition to receiving the Charter School of the Year Award.

**Financial Report:** Spencer Adams reported the Financial Summary as of May 31, 2021 and the Financial Detail Report as of May 31, 2021. We had a very strong financial year. We maintained a healthy enrollment throughout the year. All required reports have been completed or will be by their deadlines.

**Committee Reports:**

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

**Finance Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Benefits Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Curriculum Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Outreach Committee** – Mr. Clark reported that they put out a press release about Charter School of the Year and they are working on a Swag store.

**Technology Committee** – Nothing to report.

**LAND Trust Committee** – Nothing to report.

**PTO Committee** – April Paxton, Chair, reported that they have been very busy. They are working on putting together the Fall Carnival. They are going to do a back-to-school ribbon cutting. They hope to have their website up by July 1. They still have a Secretary position open.

**Board Development Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Campus Management Committee** – Nothing to report.

**Discussion and/or Action Items:**

Expenditures over \$5,000

Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the FY21 Final Budget as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Carroll motioned to approve the proposed FY22 Initial Budget as provided in the Board Packet. Mrs. Paxton seconded the motion. Mr. Carroll pointed out that the committee started out determining what end result they wanted to end up with, and worked from there. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Carroll motioned to appoint Shannon Greer as the Board Chair for the 2021-22 school year. Mrs. Paxton seconded the motion. Mrs. Greer abstained from the vote, and all other Board Members present voted in favor of the motion.

Mrs. Paxton motioned to appoint Jaycee Rogers, Casey Unrein, and Shauna Mahoney to the GWA Board of Directors. Mrs. Stewart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mrs. Greer pointed out that these are all three year appointments beginning now, and ending in 2024.

Jaycee Rogers, Casey Unrein, and Shauna Mahoney were sworn in to the Board of Directors.

No closed session was held.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held July 22, 2021 at 7:30pm.

Mr. Carroll motioned to adjourn. The Board Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Matt Hafen, Board Secretary