

GEORGE GERVIN PREP ACADEMY GOVERNING BOARD
2801 E. Southern Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85042

MISSION

The George Gervin Prep Academy Governing Board's mission is to provide resources, which support student growth and development as well as preparation of the administrative staff and teachers that will allow them to successfully compete in the educational arena.

August 15, 2019

MINUTES

Members Present:

Eddie Tiggs, Chairman
Darlene Little
Reggie Dye
Michael Williams
Norman Darkwa
Audrey Bell-Jenkins
Herb Jackson, via phone
Edward Lumpkin, via phone

Members Absent:

Jay Banna

Others Present:

Tamara Glen
John Huppenthal

Staff Members Present:

Milinda Crawford, Principal
Barbara Hawkins, Superintendent
Gloria Baker, Office Manager
Dante Hunter, Athletic Director
Chantelle Allah, Academic Coach

Meeting called to order at 5:34 pm

Pledge of Allegiance Recited

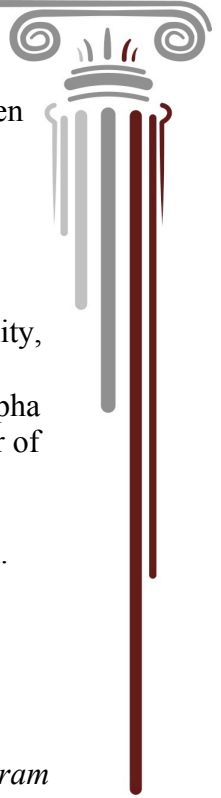
Call to the Public:

- John Huppenthal, former ADE superintendent who has worked with GGPA for last 3 years, gave presentation regarding Math pilot program for 2nd grade
 - Creates mathematical thought; cross training increases academic progress
 - Will tentatively move forward with program as a volunteer

Approval of Minutes:

- Mr. Dye moved to approve the July 18, 2019 minutes, seconded by Mr. Lumpkin, unanimously approved: Ayes - 6; Nay - 0 ; Not Present during vote: 2

Principal's Report:



- First week of school highlights:
 - Back to Gervin Night/Meet the Teacher Night (147 in attendance); Teen Court; Free Breakfast/Lunch; Library; Family Engagement Plan; Afterschool program partnership with Black Family Services; PBIS program rollout.
- *Donations:*
 - \$50 on behalf of the local graduate chapters of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated and Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
 - 55 backpacks with supplies from the Delta Beta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated and Alpha Epsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated
 - 3000 books from KITABU community based literacy program
 - 3 hours time/free hair cuts provided by The Shop at Lefty's and B.L.A. Barber & Beauty Studio
- *Spotlight Programs:*
 - Presentation by Ms. Allah, Instructional Coach, *Teacher Professional Development*
 - Presentation by Mr. Hunter, Athletic Director, *2019-2020 Sports Program*
- *Enrollment*
 - Previous year: 153
 - Current year to date: 203
- *Blended Learning Comparative Analysis*
 - Provided a comparison of Elevate K-12, Footsteps 2 Brilliance and Imagine Learning
 - Approved Imagine Learning on a trial basis for the 2019-2020 school year for reading, math and math fluency for \$15,000.00 total
 - Recommended Imagine Learning present results in Spring along with potential products
- *Staffing*
 - 20 FTE (Full time employees)
 - Academic Leadership Team
 - Milinda Crawford – Principal
 - Chantelle Allah – Instructional Coach
 - Ms. Acevedo – Primary and Intermediate Lead Teacher
 - Ms. Jorvig – Middle School Lead Teacher
 - Mrs. Hampton-Vine – Family and Community Engagement Coordinator



- Ms. Turner – Special Education
- Ms. Baker – Classified building/office manager
- Mr. Hunter – Student Activities

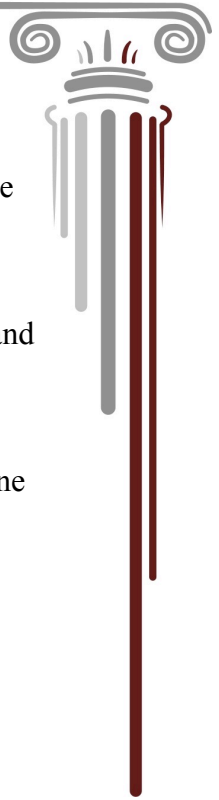
- *Marketing Student and Staff*
 - Black Wall Street/Spotlight
 - Radio Spotlight / Interview with Dr. Tiggs
 - Channel 15 / Curriculum Night (Mrs. Bell-Jenkins)
 - Dr. Tiggs recommended board commit to memorizing summary of information to share about GGPA (see attachment)

- *Facility Maintenance Readiness Projects*
 - Repair of ceiling tiles – in progress
 - AC maintenance – in progress
 - Grounds – trees and clean up
 - Technology repairs and updates – ongoing
 - Buses – 121 students using transportation, partnered with First Student to provide routes. Continued effort to ensure times are set and parents understand that traffic can impact times. Bus transportation is closed.
 - GGPA buses are in storage
 - Van repair – battery
 - Potential Projects – Playground and outdoor field improvements

- *Upcoming Events*
 - August 19-23: Baseline data testing
 - August 28: Curriculum Night
 - September 2: Labor Day Weekend
 - September 3: Afterschool School Club featuring Homework Club, Steel Drums Program, Leadership Program, and Honeywell Fiesta Bowl Aerospace Challenge
 - September 10: Picture Day
 - September 11 – 1st Flag Football game
 - September 21 – Teen Summit

Superintendent's Report:

- *Facilities*
 - GGPA facilities renovations including painting, repairing of walls, floors, completed over the summer
 - Current repair needs being assessed
 - Outstanding issues include leveling of outdoor field, cleaning and clearing of yard



- *Culture and Climate*
 - 2019-2020 off to very good start
 - Student are engaged, staff working together
 - Staff having extensive training and supports are available for assistance
- *Staffing Updates*
 - All positions filled
 - If GGPA enrollment increased to 250+ may add compliance position and applicable teaching staff
- *Financial Information*
 - Profit/Loss Statement and Balance Sheet review for July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019
 - GGPA received \$450, 000 grant from GGYC
- *Accountability*
 - B letter grade for SY 2018
 - D possibly C letter grade for 2019
 - Difference due do exclusion of 40% of students' scores in growth calculation
- *Long-term planning*
 - GGPA has created a 'Long-term Sustainability Team" (LTST) whose goal is to ensure we have written systems, policies and procedures in place
 - New branding focused on Gifted and Talented programming
 - Fiscal soundness
 - Retention of staff and students
 - Legally compliant
 - LTST will meet monthly to evaluate and assess progress
- *Legal Matters*
 - None
- *Other Matters*
 - Present to Charter board on September 9, 2019 at 9:00 am to answer questions and give update on school's progress from F-Letter grade in 2017 SY
 - Concern about the 40% of students excluded from growth score in 2018-2019 SY and the state's inability to locate previous year's scores
 - Education related contracted services include:
 - Ridge Zeller Therapy – Special Education Services
 - Ms. Turner – Special Education Director/Teacher



- Professional Educational Consulting, LLC – Professional/Instructional supports
- Sylvan Learning – in-school tutoring, assessments and interventions
- Dr. Carlian Dawson – Trauma Informed school practices
- Dr. Ann Minkler – Blended learning (use of computer technology and traditional methods for learning)

Financials:

- Signatures of board member obtained for 2020 ADOPTED Fiscal Year Budget
- Financial statements reviewed under Superintendent's report

Action Items:

- Tabled due to time constraints

Committee Reports:

- Tabled due to time constraints

Other Business:

- Dr. Tiggs appointed Reggie Dye as Parliamentarian

Executive Session:

- N/A

Adjournment:

- Meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm

Next Scheduled Board Meeting: September 19, 2019 at 5:30 pm