

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.

January 16, 2020

MINUTES

Members Present:

- Mr. Herb Jackson
- Mrs. Audrey Bell-Jenkins (via Zoom Video)
- Mr. Reggie Dye
- Mr. Edward Lumpkin
- Mr. Michael Williams

Staff Members Present:

Members Absent:

Visitors:

None

- Mr. Norman Darkwa
- Mr. Edward James (excused)

- Ms. Barbara Hawkins, Superintendent (via phone)
- Ms. Milinda Crawford, Principal
- Ms. Sharon Hampton-Vine

Meeting was called to order at 5:35 P.M.

Call to Public:

• None present

Approval of Minutes:

- Mr. Lumpkin moved, and seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the December 19, 2019 minutes.
 - Motion was approved with Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Principal's Report – Milinda Crawford

• Greeting and Celebrations

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- Two (2) middle school students will have poems published in the Appelley's \cap National School Poetry Contest, with chance to win \$500 prize
- Applied for and received \$73K competitive ADE grant to cover the cost of school counselor, and online system support for teacher evaluation
- Receiving Title III EL funding of \$3.1K for SY19 and forecasted to receive \$9K for SY20
- o 3rd Grade participating in Tiny Giants Valentines Day Pen Pal project
- 6th Grade selected to represent GGPA at Stand UP Speak Up annual conference held at Grand Canyon University
- 3rd-8th grades expected to receive Chromebooks by February 3rd in time for practice and state testing
- Enrollment
 - Current enrollment at 192 students (incl. 26 EL; 16 SPED)
 - Trend map showing increase, decrease or steady
- Out of State Student Travel
 - 8th grade request to raise funds for promotion trip to California
 - Board members who want to contribute to 8th grade trip will write a check
 - Mr. Jackson committed to provide \$150 for the 8th grade field trip
- Mr. Lumpkin moved, and seconded by Mr. Williams, to accept the Principal's Report as given.
 - Motion was approved with Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Superintendent Report – Barbara Hawkins

- Academics
 - GGPA completed two benchmark tests.
 - Concerns focused on the lack of Tier I Intervention and inexperienced teachers
- Financial
 - GGPA audit is completed with timely submission.
 - No findings and should meet Academic Framework
- Operations
 - Working on having complete and up to date policies and procedures
 - o GGPA did not meet the Operational Framework for 2019 SY based on 03/07/19 Charter Board Site Visit
 - Staff working to ensure Operational Accountability for 2020
- Staffing
 - Principal identified counselor.
 - Math teacher approved for employment
- Other Issues
 - GGPA under school improvement due to F letter grade in 2017, subject to unannounced site visits
 - The two (2) school buses were transported from Arizona to Texas

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- Ms. Crawford to travel to San Antonio, TX to learn how GGYC maintains an A letter grade and superior ratings
- Planning Board retreat to receive training and set goals for next school year and the future of GGPA
- o Reminder that GGPA needs the Board's assistance in fundraising for student supplies and materials, approximately \$20K
- Mrs. Jenkins moved, and seconded by Mr. Lumpkin, to accept the Superintendent Report.
- Motion was approved, Ayes-5, Nays-0

Finance & Audit Committee Report – Edward Lumpkin

- GGPA incurred a \$107K net loss ending 12/31/19
- **Reimbursements** pending
- Prop 123 funds were not included in budget •
- Expense of 3rd party vendor for transportation not anticipated when budget completed •
- Unexpected teaching vacancies caused increase in Substitute expenses •
- Breakeven point is estimated at \$1.8M
- Mr. Williams moved, and seconded by Mr. Dye, to accept the Finance Committee Report.
 - Motion was approved, Ayes-5, Nays-0

Program/Planning Committee Report – Reggie Dye

Proposed May 2020 formal wine and cheese fundraising event chaired by Mr. Herb Jackson

Nominating Committee Report – Michael Williams

- Mr. Herb Jackson to serve as Board Chairman until voting takes place in November 2020
- Mr. Lumpkin moved, and seconded by Mr. Dye, to accept report.
 - Motion was approved, Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Procurement Report - TBD

No report

Special Events – Audrey Bell- Jenkins

No report

Action Items

None

Other Business

Discussed recognition plaques for former board members

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Executive Session

• N/A

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Next scheduled Board Meeting Date: February 20, 2020 at 5:30pm.

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