

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Galileo School for Gifted Learning duly called and held on February 10, 2021 at via Zoom and at Galileo, Sanford, FL.

**Board members present:**

- ✓ Michele Gill, Chair
- ✓ Javier Rivera, Vice Chair
- ✓ Debbie Hahs-Vaughn, Secretary
- ✓ Jason Brodeur, Member
- ✓ Caleb Edwards, Member
- ✓ Joe MacLaren, Member
- ✓ Treva Marshall, Member
- ✓ Kevin Miller, Member

**Board members absent:**

- ✓ Rich Margadonna, Member

Guests present:

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With the approval of the directors present, Michele Gill acted as Chair of the meeting, and Debbie Hahs-Vaughn recorded the minutes.

On motions duly made and seconded, it was voted that the minutes of the meeting of board of directors from January 20, 2021 to be taken as read.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Celebrations/Recognitions
- III. Informational Items
- IV. Principal Report (M. Nunez)
  - a. Update on CSP grant. Everything submitted has been approved. The district has a new system for invoicing and the school is submitting required paperwork.
  - b. Update on lottery. Many lottery applications are being received. Lottery day is the Thursday before spring break. It will be hosted at the school, with limited seating for parents who wish to attend in person.
  - c. A new gaga pit has been installed at the Riverbend campus. This was created and donated by a parent and a direct outcome of a Riverbend student government initiative.
  - d. The Skyway student government has been successful in changing the lunch menu. This is a global change for both campuses. Tacos and hot dogs were added back into the menu.
- V. Consent Agenda
  - a. Proposal to transfer Kristen Wyche (from Dragon Watch Staff/Senior Intern to Permanent Sub, 4th Grade). Motion made, second, all in favor of approving the consent agenda.
- VI. Committee Reports
  - a. Standing Committee Reports
    - i. Budget and Finance Committee (MaLaren)
      - ii. Update on bonds for purchasing Riverbend facility. The facility is examining making a bond purchase for both facilities. It would save \$9M, so the committee is pursuing this.
      - iii. Review quarterly budget. Financials are not received yet.
    - iv. Curriculum Committee. No update.
    - v. Development & Grants (T. Marshall)
      - vi. Update on Science campaign. The school is at about 40% of goal. \$7,766 of the \$20K has been raised. There are 7 months left on the campaign. The committee will be working to stimulate some additional interest.
      - vii. Update on plans for 10<sup>th</sup> Year of Galileo School celebration. No update.
      - viii. Update on Gala for September. No update.
    - ix. Marketing (C. Edwards). Web traffic currently is very similar to this time last time. Social media traffic is down about 70%. We will be getting a quote to better architect the website given the two campuses, making it easier to navigate.

b. Special Committee Reports

i. Facility Committee (K. Miller)

ii. Facility updates: Skyway and Riverbend. Building Hope is still suggesting a move over spring break is reasonable. Key big things that they are behind: handrails and railings for stairs, elevator. The construction on site appears to be moving well. All repairs at Riverbend will be completed soon so that we can try to purchase both facilities through the bonds.

iii. Strategic Planning Committee (R. Margadonna). Invitations to the strategic planning committee have been placed. Recommendations for the committee will be made at the next Board meeting. He anticipates meeting at the end of April.

iv. Health & Wellness Committee (J. Brodeur). The Farm to School program has been making progress. Components of the program would include procuring local foods and getting access to dieticians and health system. A grant application to Scotts has been submitted. A stakeholder group will ultimately be formed.

VII. PTA/SAC Updates. The SAC initiative for the Riverbend campus is beautifying the gardens, to align with the new health and wellness initiative.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

VIII. Reconsider Parent Volunteer Hours requirement for current school year. Mrs. Nunez recommended volunteer hours accrued this year counting towards next year. There are some initiatives where parents can volunteer. Motion made, second, all in favor to waive volunteer hours for 2020-2021 and allow hours accrued to count towards 2021-2022 parent volunteer requirement.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

IX. Javier Rivera and Jason Brodeur eligible for Board reappointment. Motion made, second, all in favor to reappoint both to the Board.

X. Board Visit Day at Galileo procedures during COVID. Mrs. Nunez will work with the TV production class to create a video snapshot of some classrooms.

## XI. Important Dates

### MARCH 10, 5:30

- Plan Strategic Planning Retreat
- Board Visit Day at Galileo School
- Annual parent/teacher/student survey
- Joe MacLaren renew Board Training, April 2021

### APRIL 21, 5:30

- Principal Evaluation process: Principal conducts self-evaluation and submits to the Board by the May board meeting. Compile Board members' survey responses via Qualtrics.
- Strategic Planning Retreat
- Budget discussions for next year
- Board discusses Principal contract at a board meeting before discussing it with the Principal.
- (Javier Rivera renew Board training, May 2021)
- April 2021: Need to let Building Hope know if we are pursuing option to purchase building
- Plan gala for fall

### MAY 12, 5:30

- Approve next year's budget
- Review of quarterly budget
- Approve teacher and staff contracts
- Approve Principal contract
- Upload final principal evaluation scores

## XII. Adjournment

There being no further business to transact at the time, it was voted to adjourn the meeting.

Dated: February 10, 2021

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Debbie Hahs-Vaughn, Secretary