

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Galileo School for Gifted Learning duly called and held on November 18, 2019 at Galileo School for Gifted Learning

Board members present:

- ✓ Michele Gill, Chair
- ✓ Debbie Hahs-Vaughn, Secretary
- ✓ Rich Margadonna, Member
- ✓ Joe MacLaren, Member
- ✓ Treva Marshall, Member

Board members absent:

- ✓ Javier Rivera, Vice Chair
- ✓ Jason Brodeur, Member
- ✓ Caleb Edwards, Member
- ✓ Kevin Miller, Member

Guests present:

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

Minutes of the meeting of board of directors from October 14, 2019 were tabled.

I. Celebrations. Thank you to Mrs. Nunez for doing such a fabulous job at leading the school. Congratulations to Mrs. Bock for Teacher of the Year and Ms. Bush for Employee of the Year.

II. Informational Items

a. Renew board training: Rich Margadonna and Debbie Hahs-Vaughn due Nov. 30.

III. Principal Report (M. Nunez)

- a. Marketing for the new campus. An ad was placed in Playground magazine. Ideally there will be about 530 student seats open at the new campus. Mrs. Marshall will assist in putting together press releases.
- b. Hiring for the New Campus. Mrs. Nunez and Mrs. Kirts went to UCF to recruit last week and shared some of the materials. They are going to lots of recruitment fairs. Car magnets will be given to all current parents and staff. Most positions will be advertised in January with interviews in the spring.
- c. PreK update for the new campus. Mrs. Nunez spoke with SCPS about adding a pre-K (VPK only) to the current charter. Dr. Griffith is in support of this and said they will work with their legal team to see what they need to do.
- d. Daycare/parking lot update. Mrs. Nunez has been unsuccessful in getting quotes to develop the parking lot off Cameron. Randy Morris, the governmental liaison, indicated the county would be supportive of a daycare and recommends we change the zoning to C3, commercial that allows anything to be put on the property without exception. C3 would be an upgrade in zoning. If we were to sell the property, the property value would be greatly increased as compared to zoning for a daycare. Motion made, second, all approved to retain Randy Morris, not to exceed \$30,000, to work with the county to change the zoning.
- e. The Best and Brightest program was changed last summer. SCPS has their own plan, and this was shared by Mrs. Nunez. Motion made, second, all approved to follow the SCPS plan. As an additional reward effort, the board would like to reward the remaining money to faculty with a teaching certificate that do not currently have a student load.

IV. Consent Agenda

a. New hires: Instructional Assistant—Brittany Rogers. Motion made, second, all approved to hire Brittany Rogers.

V. **Committee Reports**

- a. Standing Committee Reports
 - i. Budget and Finance Committee (MacLaren)
 - 1. Financial statements were reviewed. Fiscal year surplus includes \$181,872.07. Motion made, second, all approved to approve the financials.
 - ii. Curriculum Committee (M. Gill)

- 1. Highlights included: Creative curriculum was reviewed for VPK. SGA president supports the idea of opening a preschool. Exhibitions by grade were shared. Feedback on the PEAKS is good and conversations on if/how to continue have been discussed. The vision guiding principles are being reviewed.
- iii. Development & Grants (T. Marshall). Motion made, second, all approved to pre-pay for the annual Classy agreement and do a trial of the texting option.
- iv. Marketing (C. Edwards).
- b. Special Committee Reports
 - i. Facility Committee (J. McLaren)
 - 1. Update on second school facility was shared. Target date for CO is June 30, 2020.
 - ii. Strategic Planning Committee (R. Margadonna). No updates.

OLD BUSINESS

VI. PTA/SAC will be meeting soon.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEW BUSINESS

- VII. Caleb Edwards eligible for Board re-appointment. Motion made, second, all approved to reappoint Caleb to the board.
- Treva Marshall eligible for board reappointment. Motion made, second, all approved to VIII. reappoint TrevaMarshall to the board.
- IX. Proposal to purchase Cameron Ave property was shared. Motion made, second, all approved to attempt to acquire the Cameron Ave. property not to exceed \$280K, contingent on the owner getting title survey and environmental worked out prior to closing.
- X. Set dates for January meeting (no meeting in December)

XI. **Important Dates**

JANUARY, UCF

January 2021: Plan bond purchase for building (Jason Brodeur eligible for Board re-appointment in 2020)

FEBRUARY

Review of quarterly budget

Put Principal Evaluation (Marzano) in Qualtrics and create additional survey for the

Board re: CEO duties and mission/vision

General Town Hall for stakeholders

Javier Rivera and Jason Brodeur eligible for Board re-appointment

MARCH

Plan Strategic Planning Retreat

Complete Qualtrics survey of iObservation eval for principal and of Galileo-specific survey

Board Visit Day at Galileo School

Annual parent/teacher/student survey

Board of Directors formal observation and evaluation of School Principal with school walk through

XII. Adjournment

Dated: November 18, 2019

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

Debbie Hahs-Vaughn, Secretary