

[APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON OCTOBER 25, 2018]

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
Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Hampton Inn
1250 West SunRiver Parkway
St. George, UT 84790

A Board retreat was held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:35 p.m.

Board Members Present: Shannon Greer, President; David Ellis; Matt Hafen, Secretary; Anthony Haun; Holly Myers; and Blake Clark, Executive Director.

Board Members Absent: Patrick Carroll, Vice President; and Javier Jimenez. Mr. Ellis was excused at 4 p.m.

Others Present: Steve Erickson.

The Board meeting convened at 3:35 p.m. following the Board Retreat.

Board Welcome: Shannon Greer, President

Roll Call: Shannon Greer, President

Prayer: David Ellis

Pledge of Allegiance: Steve Erickson

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Ellis motioned to approve the Minutes from August 23, 2018 Board Meeting. Mr. Haun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Opportunity to Address the Board: None.

Adjournment was set for 4:30pm.

Administration Report: Blake Clark, Executive Director, reported that we currently have 1,021 students enrolled. There is one employee with .07 hours of overtime this month, with a total of 15.43 hours total. Attendance is at 97%, and 95% of students have been on time. All state reports have been completed on time. They have hired a SPED Director with great experience that they are excited about. SEPs went well last week. The teachers enjoyed getting to know the parents better and communicating with them.

Financial Report: The Board reviewed the Financial Summary as of August 31, 2018 and the Financial Detail Report as of August 31, 2018. Mrs. Greer will confirm with Red Apple that the state reports have been completed.

Committee Reports:

Policies Committee – Mr. Clark, Chair, reported that the committee met this month and has some items to vote on later in the meeting.

Finance Committee – Mrs. Greer reported that the committee met and things are going well.

Benefits Committee – Mr. Clark reported that the committee met this month and they are looking at benefit options with our benefits provider.

Curriculum Committee – Nothing to report.

Charitable Giving / Outreach Committee – Mrs. Myers reported that they are working on branding and other items and will have more to report next month.

Technology Committee – Mr. Ercikson reported that the committee met and referred the Board to their meeting minutes.

LAND Trust Committee – Mr. Ellis, Chair, requested that Mr. Clark send out an email requesting participation from parents for the committee.

PTO Committee – Anthony Haun, Chair, reported that the committee had the book fair last week and made \$11,000, which beat their \$8,000 goal. The money drive is currently going on. They are currently at \$10,000 and the goal is \$20,000. The PTO has replaced a digital piano for Mrs. Winder and replaced an old xylophone for Mrs. Whiteside. They have purchased a portable air conditioning unit for when there are air conditioning issues. They are looking at adding rubber padding to some of the playgrounds.

Board Development Committee – Nothing to report.

Campus Management Committee – Nothing to report.

Academic Excellence Committee – Nothing to report.

Additional Discussion and/or Action Items:

Mr. Erickson reported that the school's firewall is outdated and needs to be replaced. Mr. Haun motioned to approve the invoice from Superior Technical Solutions for the Hummingbird /Sophos XG330 Rev 2 Firewall Bundle in the amount of \$5,499.99. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Hafen motioned to approve the Teachtown Inc Invoice in the amount of 3,473.46. Mr. Ellis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Ellis motioned to approve the invoice for UAPCS 2018-19 Membership Dues (75%) in the amount of \$4,590. Mr. Haun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Mrs. Greer indicated that this includes lobbying at the state, advocacy, board training, etc.

Mr. Clark reported that there were some minor desired changes to Policy 310 – Student Dress Code related to the length of clothes, colors of outerwear, and colors of socks and tights. Dress-up days and dress-down days have also been revised. Mr. Ellis motioned to approve the revisions to Policy 310 as presented in the Board Packet. Mr. Hafen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Ellis was excused from the meeting.

Mr. Clark recommended changing Policy 820 – Student Drop-Off & Pick-Up – to a procedure rather than a policy, subject to the changes in the Board Packet. Mrs. Myers motioned to approve changing Policy 820 to a procedure with the revisions in the proposal. Mr. Haun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Erickson reported that Policy 320 – Bullying, Cyber-Bullying, Hazing, and Retaliation Policy required changes and has been updated in accordance with a model policy from State. Mr. Haun seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed the Early Literacy Plan provided by Mrs. Stevens. We have to submit a comprehensive plan regarding goals, interventions, etc. Mr. Hafen motioned to approve the Early Literacy Plan as presented in the Board Packet.

No closed session was held.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on October 25, 2018 at the George Washington Academy Lunchroom.

Mr. Haun motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Matt Hafen, Board Secretary