



GOMPERS PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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GPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

November 15, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.

GPA Wingspan; Cecil H. Steppe Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cecil H. Steppe, MariCruz Avalos, Pete Chodzko, Jeremy Hurlbert, Rafael Hernandez, Myeisha Lobbins, Bud Mehan, Vincent Riveroll and Anne Spitzberg.

EXCUSED:

Michelle Evans, Jacque Nevels, and Michael Rodrigues.

GUESTS, VISITORS AND STAFF PRESENT:

John Bartholomew, Jane Firpo, Paz Garcia Ramirez, Lisa Maples, Jenny Parsons, Melissa Bitanga, Devera Scott, Carolina Ruiz Vazquez, Cassandra Fort and Shelly Buono.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mr. Steppe. He asked for any public comments and there were none. Board members reviewed the agenda items and minutes from the September 20, 2016 board meeting.

Motion to approve September's Minutes m/s/c Chodzko/Hernandez 9 In favor - 0 Abstention - None opposed

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Mr. Steppe talked about the importance of the GPA Parent Preparatory Academy.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Ivy Night is up and running on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Currently, Ivy Nights are averaging 90+ students. This is the third month of Parent Preparatory Academy with classes offered in the mornings and evenings.

Ms. Parsons distributed the Parent Involvement Policy that needs to be reviewed each year by the GPA board. After explanation of the policy, the board reviewed it and asked questions.

Motion to approve the renewal of the Parent Involvement Policy m/s/c Mehan/Chodzko 9 In favor - 0 abstention - None opposed

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

- A. Mr. Chodzko's highlights included: Month 1 ADA 1201.27, which is a 97% attendance rate and GPA is projected to receive a net income of \$210,004 by year's end.

Motion for acceptance of September's financials m/s/c Chodzko/Spitzberg 9 In favor - 0 Abstentions - None opposed

- B. 2015-16 Third Party Audit :

Mr. Tamayo distributed a copy of the draft third party audit. This audit gives a favorable opinion of the finances of GPA. There are no "findings" for the school. ExED recommends approval of this audit.

Motion for approval of 2015-16 Third Party Audit m/s/c Chodzko/Lobbins 9 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed

C. Recurring Expenses Over \$10,000:

In the minutes from the Finance Committee, there's a chart for five recurring expenses that happen monthly. According to Finance Policy, a second signature is required for charges over \$10,000. However, with these items of STRS, PERS, Kaiser Health, Health Net, and SDG&E the committee is asking that the second signature be waived for these five monthly expenses.

Motion for approval of these five exceptions to the Recurring Expenses Over \$10,000 plan as reviewed by the Finance Committee m/s/c Chodzko/Mehan 9 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed

D. College Readiness Grant Plan:

Ms. Parsons presented the draft College Readiness Plan for first reading. We are eligible to receive \$76,452. This plan requires us to explain how these funds will be spent and that it is aligned with our Local Control Improvement Plan. After questions, Ms. Parsons requested that the board read the plan and give her feedback at January's meeting.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT:

No report submitted

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT:

Mr. Chodzko presented Lucy Killea's donation to GPA of \$100,000. GPA has worked with the Legler Benbough Foundation for a sunset gift. Over the next 4 years, we will be receiving \$900,000 from this Foundation. The Foundation funded \$100,000 for vehicles (these will be wrapped to identify GPA). He is continuing to work with San Diego Foundation to improve donations here. Alliance Healthcare Foundation donated to our school, which has provided an Adventure Club for our students. This has been greatly appreciated by our students. \$408,267 is the total raised this year to this point. GPA will be launching "Giving Tuesday" on Tuesday, November 29th through social media.

BOARD AFFAIRS COMMITTEE:

No report submitted

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT:

No report submitted

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. m/s/c Mehan/Hurlbert 9 In favor – 0 Abstentions – None opposed