

Gate City Charter School for the Arts

Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date:

“The mission of the GCCSA is to use an arts integrated curriculum ... to produce graduates who excel in both academics and the arts and have the knowledge, creativity and inquisitive nature that foster a life-long love of learning.”

Meeting Date: April 19, 2022

Time: 7:05 PM

Location: Gate City Charter School for the Arts, 7 Henry Clay Rd, Merrimack, NH with remote option

Voting Board Members in Attendance:

Sarah Thibeault (Secretary)

Rebecca Boutin-Remote

Neil Mahoney (Parent Rep)

Grace Cavallo-Remote

Absent Board Members:

Danielle Charest (Chair)

Non-Voting Members in Attendance:

Jennifer Blanchette-remote

Attending Public:

Amanda Mckenna-remote

Mandy Darah-remote

Public Comments/Public Matters

Approval of Minutes from March 2022

MOTION (Grace Cavallo/Neil Mahoney) Motion to approve the February 2022 Meeting Minutes was accepted unanimously.

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Committee Reports

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PTO- Sarah Thibeault- discussed upcoming events

Curriculum Committee- Jennifer Blanchette-See Directors Report

H/R Policy Committee- -No Meeting

PR and Community Relations committee- Sarah Thibeault- Discussed upcoming Arts festival

Grants Committee- No Meeting

Facilities Committee- Eric Charest- See Directors report

Building Committee-Danielle Charest- No meeting still waiting on Finance information

MOTION (Grace Cavallo/Neil Mahoney) Motion to accept the committee meeting reports was accepted unanimously.

Finance Committee Meeting

See director report.

MOTION (Sarah Thibeault/Neil Mahoney) Motion to accept the finance committee meeting reports was accepted unanimously.

Old Business

Covid Policy-Changes to policy

Covid-Positive Test Results:

Those receiving positive PCR and antigen test results should:

1. Quarantine for 5 days.

. Covid-positive individuals may return after 5-day isolation if symptoms have resolved.

MOTION (Grace Cavallo/Neil Mahoney) Motion to accept the updates to the Covid-19 Policy was accepted unanimously.

New Business

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Directors Report

Facilities

- Dismissal reviewed by the landlord and approved
- Tour scheduled for Apricot Designs
- Need assistance moving a piano
- Drills: Shelter-in-place, Safe and Secure, Fire Drill
- Phones being installed

DOE

- DOE visit complete March 22nd
- I-platform training completed
- Charter School meeting

Mode of Instruction:

- No remote program expected 2022-23
- Teachers will retain the remote capability

Finance

- 2020 & 2021 Audits completed
- New budget template training completed on March 21st
- Budget using new template due to the DOE July 1st
- New budget underway to be presented to the Board in May
- Annual Reports underway

PTO and Community Events/Activities

- Talent Show April 21st, 6 pm
- May 6, Skate Night 5:30-8
- May 19th K-4, Staff May 24th, May 25th, 5-8 Tie-Dye Day
- Alice in Wonderland May 12-13
- Semi-Formal 21st
- Art Auction/Concert May 26th
- Field Day June 3rd
- Graduation, June 8th

Title I

- Title I Summer Camp
 - Survey complete
 - Teacher: Ms. Fleury

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- Newsletter completed
- Title I Night May 19th for families at 6 pm

State Reports

- Board Member Profile

Federal Grants

- All-grant audit canceled due to low risk and change of position
- Selected for Esser Grant audit for all years, date TBD
- All grants reported on schedule

Enrollment

- Info Night Apr 20, 2022, 6 pm
- Reinstated shadows

NHSAS

- Testing to take place May 4-10
- Staff getting TA certification
- Updated all computers
- Updated students in TIDE
- Parent

Covid-19

- Current cases: 0

Staffing

- Reviews Underway
- Current positions advertised:
4/ 5 Math/Science, 1-2 Teacher, Wellness Instructor, EAs
- Adjusted interview process:
 - 1. Interview with administration 2. Interview with Staff Team 3. Sample Lesson Instruction

MOTION (Rebecca Boutin/Grace Cavallo) **Motion** to enter Nonpublic session RSA 91-A:3, II
(a) Unanimously accepted.

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MOTION (Neil Mahoney/Grace Cavallo) **Motion** to leave nonpublic session Unanimously accepted.

MOTION (Grace Cavallo/Rebecca Boutin) **Motion** to adjourn Unanimously accepted.

Next public meeting Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at 7 pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM