



Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Time: 12:00 PM

Location: THINC

Present: Ted Arnold, Kevin Patrick, Eric Mosley, Dr. Penny Johnson, Joseph Miller (Zoom), Shelley Strickland

Other: Gerald Wyatt, Regan Mock, Dr. Chris Williams, Dr. Brian Shumate, Brandon Brooks, Mitch Key, Jennifer Pike

The meeting began at 12:00 PM.

- Prayer- Gerald Wyatt, THINC CEO
- Welcome- Ted Arnold, THINC Board Chair
- Motion called for approval of April minutes- Ted Arnold
 - 1st Eric Mosley, 2nd Shelley Strickland
- Finance Chair- Gerald Wyatt
 - Introduction of Eric Mosley at the new THINC Finance Chair
- P&L- Eric Mosley, THINC Finance Chair
 - Larger items in actuals:
 - Accounting Fee of \$1,600.00
 - Audit Fee of \$4,750.00
 - Total disbursements of \$8,363.82 for May with disbursements of \$88,026.97 overall for the yearly budget and \$386,973.03 remaining.
 - YTD \$94,300 has been received.
 - Projected ending cash balance is \$1,689,009.63
 - Motion called for approval of financials
 - 1st Dr. Penny Johnson, 2nd Kevin Patrick
- Budget Proposal- Gerald Wyatt
 - Presentation of FY22 Budget draft.
 - Increase insurance by \$400 and decrease meeting/travel by \$400 to keep an overall budget of \$475,000.00
 - Audit fees have gone over budget for the year due to increase in rates, but before adjusting the budget to accommodate the plan is to shop with various providers.
 - Motion called for approval of budget.
 - 1st Eric Mosley, 2nd Shelley Strickland
- CEO Update- Gerald Wyatt
 - SLAM Update:
 - Sixteen students attended the week long robotics camp where they toured both KIA and Duracell with a competition on their final day.



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- THINC Leadership Retreat will take place July 7th and 8th at Great Wolf Lodge for the THINC Leadership team to elaborate on the strategic plan, discuss fall opening, orientations, campus events etc.
- WGTC Update:
 - Mr. Wyatt met with the new president, Dr. Close, Bill Stump and Helen Rice-she is a strong advocate of Troup County and what Troup County has to offer.
 - Mr. Wyatt and Dr. Chris Williams, THINC Principal, met with Steve Cromer of WGTC to discuss their new curriculum for manufacturing and spoke with him about more dual-enrollment opportunities.
 - Working very hard to increase collaboration between THINC and WGTC.
- The Lieutenant Governor is looking at Troup County to host the Business and Education Summit in the fall and the CEO statewide meeting will be hosted at THINC. There will be several tours taking place along with industry tours to come also. Mr. Wyatt may be reaching out to Board member for assistance in hosting.
- Enrollment- Jennifer Pike, THINC Assistant Principal/ Registrar
 - Currently there are 722 students enrolled with 70 of those enrolled for dual-enrollment.
 - Engineering, Game Design and Marketing pathways are at full capacity, but are expected to level out by the time school starts.
 - In 2021 the school year began with 600 students.
 - With the base schools operating on block schedules now there is more flexibility with scheduling.
 - International Business and Drafting numbers typically have been lower, but this year both have doubled their numbers.
- TCSS Update- Dr. Brian Shumate, TCSS Superintendent
 - Virtual Academy:
 - Registration numbers for the upcoming school year low.
 - This is hard to fund and hard to staff. The school system is trying to avoid teachers being hybrid between teaching in person and virtual. Many surrounding counties are not offering virtual, but TCSS wants to offer it if possible.
 - There are conditions for attending Virtual Academy that are strict and require parent involvement. If the student's participation is low they will be forced to attend on campus.
 - TCSS Strategic Plan:
 - Dr. Shumate wanted a year to learn Troup County and the community before creating a new strategic plan, then COVID hit which caused a delay in the process.
 - The Strategic Plan Committee met June 15th and 16th with the Schlechty Center facilitating the event. Day 1 was open mic and the discussion was discovery and unveiling things from the past. Day 2 was table talk with the discussion of standards.



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- On July 20th and 21st the Focus Groups will meet and Dr. Shumate invited the THINC Board to participate.
- In August or September a draft of the Strategic Plan will be formed and presented to the group in October, presented publicly in November and will take a final vote on the plan in December. The plan is to revisit this plan every 3 – 4 years.
- The goal is to build a level of trust within the community.

Adjourned.