



Board of Directors Meeting

14 December 2020

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

APPROVED

Meeting to Order:

7:06 pm.

Attendance:

From the Board—Kandis Gibson (chair), Doug Hollis (secretary), John Boochever, Ted Joseph (treasurer), Chante Chambers (vice chair), Natalia Bovkun, Kerron Kalloo

From the School—Janine Gomez (Executive Director)

1. Exec. Director Report (J. Gomez)

- a. Celebration of Learning on Monday and Tuesday-- The learners will be showing off what they have learned and their work to this point.
- b. EdFest Update--
 - i. There were 4000 registrants for the citywide event.
 - ii. Participants scheduled times to connect with and learn more about schools.
 - iii. IDPCS saw 15 people from 11 - 2 pm. IDPCS has 11 leads for next year, following the event. In talking with other schools, people saw from 10 - 40 people and overall connections were low. There was a disproportionately low participation in Ward 7 and Ward 8 families.
 - iv. IDPCS was rated highly.
 - v. The MySchool DC lottery will open on Monday, December 14, 2020 and will close on March 1, 2021.
- c. Recruitment and Enrollment
 - i. Our initial projected enrollment for 2021-22 school year (based on our enrollment projection of 80 learners), was 120 students. OSSE has countered with a 96 learner projection for 2021-22.
 - ii. IDPCS will hold an Open House January 23, March 20 and May 15.
- d. Fundraising and Grants
 - i. Initial goal was to raise \$4500 this school year. Coming into the meeting, \$3800 had been raised.
 - ii. We have received \$17,218.00 in private donations this year
 - Farris Family continues to provide a significant donation last year and this year.



- There are a few more grants we have received. We have raised roughly \$45,000 this year.
- Coming up, IDPCS is submitting a grant to do summer school work with Wise Young Builders

2. Financial Update (T. Joseph)

- a. Discussion about staying in the current location 2 years or extending to a year 3.
 - i. Recruiting and capacity are factors since the building can only hold 120 students. We are roughly there with 59 learners. Year 2 would be close to 90 students and Year 3 would yield 120 students.
 - ii. Doubling the enrollment from Year 1 and Year 2 may have school culture dynamics as well.
 - iii. It is noted that more time may provide an easier path to find a permanent location for the school.
- b. Ed Ops continues to provide financial projects regarding both options.
- c. IDPCS will need to notify the church by spring 2021.

3. Family/Parent Board Interviews (K. Gibson)

- a. The Board Job description was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no further comments, questions or discussion.
- b. We need to schedule interviews overview the last few weeks in December and the first week in January
- c. Currently, only two people have submitted written interest. There are a few others who have expressed some interest but we have not received correspondence from them yet.
- d. The interview scorecard-- used for current Board members-- was shared and discussed. Feedback was shared and the consensus was no major edits were required.
- e. The Board developed a small interview committee to proceed with the interviews and report back to the Board at the January 11, 2021 meeting. K. Kerron, T. Keith, T. Joseph and C. Chambers will serve in this capacity.

4. Working Group Update (K. Gibson)

- a. The documents have been circulated within the working groups. Between now and January 4, 2021, the working groups are being asked to finalize documents and circulate to the entire Board.
- b. Board members will review the week of January 4, 2021, and be prepared to discuss during the January 11, 2021 meeting. The goal is to have a vote on the matters by February meeting.



Meeting concluded at 8:35 pm