



Board of Directors Meeting

8 February 2021

7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Meeting to Order:

7:04pm.

Attendance:

From the Board—Kandis Gibson (chair), Doug Hollis (board secretary), John Boochever, Ted Joseph (treasurer), Chante Chambers (vice chair), Dickey Comeaux, Tony Keith, Natalia Bovkun, , Cristen Jones, Danielle Champ

From the School—Janine Gomez (Executive Director)

Welcome and Acknowledgement of New Members (Chair Gibson)

Danielle Champ and Cristen Jones are serving as Parent/Family members of our Board and are the first to do so following the January meeting.

1. ED Update (J. Gomez)

- Recruitment and enrollment update-
 - There are 48 applications as of today. This is one more than we had at this point last year. Excited that 18 have prioritized us in their top 3. Most of the applications are in PreK 3 and PreK 4.
 - We have had two Open Houses so far. The word is out and we even have an ad at some bus stops over in Ward 7.
- Revisiting the Mission-
 - Conducting some internal meetings with the school team and working closely with [Teach to Lead](#) to synthesizing and clarifying our Mission to include all stakeholder perspectives.
- School is participating in coat giveaway. The coats were given by [Operation Warm](#).

2. Treasurer Update (T. Joseph)

- Not much has changed since last update, about 3 months ago. Overall, the numbers are good.
- June cash on hand projection is excellent; June is normally a lower point for cash on hand, so this is a positive indicator about our financial health.



- Gross Margin-- money coming in vs. money coming out; We projected to be in the positive but we are operating at even (0).
- Revenues are down because of a lower enrollment. \$300K in grants and they are funding some major operation items.

3. Chair Update

- Amended By Laws at the last meeting. We will file an application to the Charter Board as a follow up as well. We are on track to participate at their March Meeting, with final approval to follow in April.
- Executive Committee-- Working on our meeting schedule to potentially get the meeting agenda out to the community earlier.
- Committees--
 - We would like to have more consistent participation on committees, so please feel free to participate.
 - We need some fully formed committees
 - School Performance Committee--Doug, Ted, Tony, Danielle
 - Executive Director Evaluation Committee (for the future)
 - New Working Group-
 - General Board Working Group--Cristen, Chante, Natalia, and John

Meeting concluded at 8:19 pm