

Board Meeting Minutes
Global Community Charter School

Jan 15, 2020

6:31 p.m. – 8:39 p.m. (scheduled 6:30-8:30pm)

Minutes of a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees (BOT) for Global Community Charter School (GCCS) held on January 15, 2020 in the school building at 2350 Fifth Avenue.

MJ noted quorum (MJ, KM, RM, JZ and TY in attendance) and called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM

Roll Call

BOT in attendance: Mary Jilek (MJ); Kate McGovern (KM); Rob Moser (RM)

BOT by video conference: James Zika (JZ); Peter Kauffman (PK); Tope Yusuf (TY)

GCCS Staff: Bill Holmes (BH)

Parent Representation: Kendra Brooks (KB)

Public: Alex and Jordan from Matter Real Estate (MRE), Nick Pozek (NP), Brandon Parkes (BP) from Bridge Philanthropic Consulting

Public comment

NP expressed his appreciation for the opportunity to attend and MJ welcomed NP as a potential BOT member

Approval of Minutes

RM moved, and KM seconded, a motion “to approve Minutes from the December BOT Meeting.” The motion was passed unanimously (MJ, KM, RM, JZ, TY).

Update on Real Estate and Fundraising Projects

BH introduced an update on Real Estate projects. MRE presented the materials included in the Agenda, of note:

- MRE recommends on-site Scenario C as a starting point for moving forward, with the option to later reduce costs (i.e. eliminate gym) if needed after we begin the process of negotiation with our Landlord. This allows a less desirable fallback option of Scenario A with/without deferring the gymnasium, early learning center, etc.
- On-site Scenario B is not recommended by MRE.
- The MRE analysis illustrates that it is feasible that we can get to an August 2021 opening of a middle school with an identified risk of the environmental unknowns.

BH introduced an update on Fundraising projects. BP presented the recent fundraising activities and reviewed the January 2020 Monthly Campaign Report.

BOT recruitment update

MJ introduced NP as a potential new BOT member. BOT members introduced themselves and their motivation for being BOT members.

Items for Vote

BH introduced the Line of Credit Policy

- Noting no further discussion, MJ moved, and TY seconded, a motion “to approve the Line of Credit Policy, as included in the Agenda, and to be inserted into the FPP.” The motion was passed unanimously (MJ, KM, RM, JZ, TY, PK).

BH introduced a recommendation to the BOT for the use of Board Reserve Funds for tuition reimbursements.

- Noting no further discussion, TY moved, and RM seconded, a motion “to approve the disbursement of Board Reserve funds for tuition reimbursements as per the materials included in the Agenda.” The motion was passed unanimously (MJ, KM, RM, JZ, TY, PK).

Middle School Expansion Public Hearing

BH presented the logistics of the scheduled Public Hearing being January 27, 5:00PM-6:30PM and updated the BOT as to how prior Public Hearings were conducted. There was a discussion about prior attendees and BOT participation and readiness.

Academics Report

BH focussed discussion of the Dashboard attached to the Agenda towards Student Recruitment. BH discussed current activities around Student Recruitment and current status.

EAC Report

KM expressed that activities in the coming month will allow for more robust academic data for analysis.

Other Business

- BH noted the inclusion of the Winter 2020 Gallup Staff Survey in the Agenda and GCCS’ increasing, +21 NPS. The BOT will follow-up with BH as they review the results in more detail.
- KM asked BH if there is a Security update in follow-up to the prior BOT meeting discussion. BH discussed a number of activities that have taken place (i.e. possible technology improvements, training opportunities). BOT expressed continued concern that we keep focus on Security improvements and asked for an update in February.
- MJ and BH attended the recent Dan Pasek event.
- The BOT noted upcoming GCCS events on the Agenda
 - Middle School Expansion Hearing- Jan 27 at 5:00pm
 - Next BoT Meeting- Feb 26 to avoid mid-winter break
 - Global Tastes & Toasts - June 10, 2020

Adjournment

MJ adjourned the meeting at 8:39 PM.

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for public comment, individuals are limited to two minutes total of public comment each, unless the Board asks for additional feedback. All trustees and members of the public must abide by Global Community Charter School norms around professionalism and civility in their comments, these norms can be found in our school handbook. Complaints against a specific employee or public comments that may reveal confidential information will, consistent with the open meetings law, be handled through our dispute resolution process or may be heard in executive session.