



Governing Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday, May 31, 2023 @ 2:00pm
Conference Room and Virtual Option via Google Meets

1. Opening Session

a. Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum and Proper Notice

1. Tom Chaffee called the meeting to order at 2:05, seconded by Ayelette Figueredo. Quorum was confirmed and proper notice was given.

b. Approval of Meeting Minutes - February 23rd, 2023

1. Mr. Kennedy made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of approval of February 23rd, 2023, seconded by Ms. Figueredo. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Public Comments - None

3. Reports

a. Head of School – Dr. Cathy Rodriguez

i. Celebrations

1. School-wide events
2. Grants awarded
3. Yearbook
4. Successful and strong end of the year
5. Conferences presentations at ALAS, NABE, DL Symposium, Florida Charter conference
6. PTC - successful family engagement initiatives

ii. Registrar / enrollment

iii. Staffing Retention, New Hires, Out of Field Teachers

1. New teacher hires

- a. Interventionists
- b. Needs: Custodial / Cafeteria
- c. Facilities Manager

- i. Board approval needed for the new Facilities Manager.

iv. Curriculum & Instruction - Director Mandi Kane



1. Will continue with Positive Action Curriculum. It aligns excellently with our core values.
2. Will be adopting a math curriculum (McGraw Hill Reveal Math).
- v. ESE - The number of students that received ESE services went from twenty seven (27) in August of 2022 to forty three (43) in May of 2023. We also evaluated and placed four (4) gifted students. Currently identifying (4 more) gifted students & one of our teachers Ally James will be taking on a new role to guide and support our students as well.
- vi. ESOL - The number of ESOL students went from thirty (30) students at the beginning of the year to one hundred and ten (110) in May of 2023.
- vii. Extended Program - This year we offered tutoring in Math, ELA, and Spanish. We also added a number of clubs including Environmental, Mindfulness, Sport & Wellness, and more. Included La Gaceta newsletter by Director Jackeline Maldonado Pintor and Edilio Online school payments for next year.
- viii. Testing Results provided by Mr. Ryan Lee
- ix. Preliminary Budget, Title 1, Title II, Title IV, ESSER 3; salary scale for teachers, Financial reports submitted
- x. Mental Health Allocation Application Plan 23-24 updates -
 1. Herrera Psychology cost increase; 50% deposit upfront (\$8300)
 2. YMHFA staff in August for 100%
 3. Overall minor updates
- xi. SAC / School Improvement Plan 23-24 - Overall updates on progress monitoring data, goals, and mission/vision statements review), we will continue with our initiatives in literacy, family engagement, and professional development for our teachers and staff to close the achievement gap.
- xii. Dr. Rodriguez thanked the board for their time and effort and discussed the progress of the construction, sharing the videos of the site visits on social media and on the website. July 27th-29th are the current move dates.
- xiii. Dr. Rodriguez thanked Kelly Anderson and the school choice district office for their support and involvement in the school's growth.

4. New business - Board vote

- a. New Hires & Out of Field Teachers 2023-2024
- b. Calendar updated 2023-2024
- c. Financial Reports 2022-2023
- d. Preliminary Budget 2023-2024
- e. Quarterly Board Meeting Dates 2023-2024
- f. Mental Health Application Updates for 2023-2024



g. SAC / School Improvement Plan Updates for 2023-2024

Dan Kennedy made an umbrella motion to approve all - second by Deacon Humberto Alvia. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Board Discussions/Actions

1. Mr. Kennedy mentioned that from experience on new construction, there can be delays such as FPL / Light not coming on to the new building on time. Need to be diligent to prevent these issues.
2. August 7th - Open house for the new building. August 10th - School starts.
3. Mr. Kennedy suggests there should be an extension of the school's charter for 10-15 years.
4. Kelly Anderson stated 5 year minimal or 15 year legislation.
5. Mr. Kennedy asked if we were expanding into other counties. Mr. Chaffee responded that the focus right now is the move, then expansion.
6. Mr. Kennedy asked when we will be implementing FRS for pension plans. Dr. Rodriguez stated there is a plan to join FRS in the next two or three years.

6. Board Comments

1. Aylette Figueredo and Geri Chaffee spoke about the new law being passed regarding undocumented people. Geri expanded on upcoming meetings that will be had with officers and government officials about this topic to better understand the laws and be able to help our community. Radio show with Aylette will also expand on this.
2. August 4th Deacon Humberto Alvia stated he will give a blessing to our new building.

7. Adjournment

1. Deacon Humberto Alvia motion to adjourn at 2:51 pm. Mr. Kennedy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.