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Golden Charter Academy

## Minutes

GCA Board of Trustees Meeting

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### Date and Time

Thursday April 28, 2022 at 4:00 PM

### Location

Golden Charter Academy is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: GCA Board of Trustees Regular Meetings

Time: Apr 28, 2022 04:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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**Directors Present**

B. De Vore (remote), D. Huff (remote), E. Gonzalez (remote), K. Thomas (remote), R. Quinto (remote), S. Barton (remote)

**Directors Absent**

*None*

**Directors who arrived after the meeting opened**

D. Huff, R. Quinto

**Ex Officio Members Present**

R. Golden (remote)

**Non Voting Members Present**

R. Golden (remote)

**Guests Present**

S. Collison (remote)

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**I. Opening Items**

**A. Call the Meeting to Order**

E. Gonzalez called a meeting of the board of directors of Golden Charter Academy to order on Thursday Apr 28, 2022 at 4:05 PM.

**B. Roll Call**

**C. Pledge of Allegiance**

**D. Approval of the Agenda**

B. De Vore made a motion to Approve the April 28, 2022 Board Meeting Agenda, with the removal of the Student Report and Principal Report.

S. Barton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**E. Public Comment**

No public comments available for today's public meeting.

**II. Closed Session**

**A.**

### **Real Property Negotiations**

Closed Public Session and moved into Closed Session at 4:09 pm.

Ended Closed Session and reconvened Public Session at 4:32 pm.

No reportable actions from Closed Session.

D. Huff arrived at 4:32 PM.

### **III. Consent Agenda**

#### **A. March 28, 2022 draft Board Meeting Minutes**

D. Huff made a motion to approve the minutes from March 28, 2022.

K. Thomas seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### **B. Employment Contract for Education Specialist**

#### **C. CSC Receivables Contract**

#### **D. Handbook Policy Invoice**

#### **E. HR Services Invoice**

#### **F. Financial Warrants**

D. Huff made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

K. Thomas seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

### **IV. Information / Discussion**

#### **A. Reports and Updates**

##### **CEO Report (Robert Golden, President & CEO)**

- Recent break-ins taking place at GCA, unfortunate with what GCA is building but material things can be replaced. We want to protect the culture and the environment, fortunately staff morale is still upbeat and understanding of the situation. Overnight security crew that watches the campus after school hours, monitoring the campus and making sure the school site is secure. Burglary alarm system is being upgraded and more surveillance throughout campus to prevent further incidents. Secure charging cabinets for the student tablets and be able to lock the tablets into the cart overnight.
- Earth Day Celebration - April 22nd, starting in the 1950s and an opportunity to understand how their work with GCA will impact our community. Partner with Central Valley Air Control, guest speaker spoke about air quality with our students and committed to a community service project with our 4th graders next year.

Provide tools to quantify the air quality. They look forward to non-profit organizations to invest in and advance their missions, selected GCA as their profit to support moving forward.

- University High School came to support GCA on Earth Day and put a book drive together, recycling the books from the community and donated over 1,000 books to the school.
- First Annual Spelling Bee Contest. Over 18 participants, congratulations to 3rd grade winner Jordyn Latimore and runner-up 1st grader Blake Ezenwugo.
- Zoo partnership, recap with teachers about this past year and what suggestions they have to take it to the next level. Connect with numerous zoos and see the programs they have in place, getting ideas on how to elevate this partnership even further. Meeting with their education team to discuss how to transform this program.
- Summer school starting June 13th - June 24th, GCA summer camp to provide a reading camp and take a deeper dive with the zoo. 50 spots reserved for exceptional Golden students to further their learning with the zoo (8:30 AM - 12:30 PM). For those who want to work on their reading levels, a reading program will take place on campus (8:30 AM to 1 PM).
- CAASPP Testing begins on Monday for 3rd grade from May 2 - May 13. NWEA Testing for Kinder through 2nd grade from May 16 - May 20.
- Elevate Week - Farmer's market on campus on May 25 and picnic areas set up for families to participate. "Gold-uation" for TK and Kinder students on May 27 at 8:30 am. GCA hosting the Legacy Dinner at the Fresno Chaffee Zoo on May 26 at 6:30 pm for staff and parents only.

R. Quinto arrived at 4:56 PM.

#### **School Site Council Report (Site Council Representative, Alondra Williams-Vasquez)**

- ELPAC testing completed, CAASPP testing begins with 3rd grade in May
- New Staff Introduction (Eric Ewing II)
- CA Healthy Schools Survey via ParentSquare on May 19
- Families reflecting on safety and Golden Rules, copies of the Golden Rule will be sent home
- Summer School and orientation in the Pridelands workshop
- "Gold-uation" where previous teachers hand off their students to the next grade/teacher
- Recruitment initiative and parent testimonials
- LCAP goal drafting, 2022-23 family partnership planning, work closely with the teachers as a full partner, suggestions made by parents

#### **Financial Report (Jim Weber, Charter Impact)**

- Update from March includes P-2 reporting counts, expenses are continuing to trend higher but the school has supplemental money to cover purchases. There is a likely upward trends in forecasting, the goal is ending at 3%. Cash flow is a

challenge during growing times, escalated requesting of federal funds on a quarterly basis, and cash pressure for factoring in the next 2 quarters (April to September).

- P-2 reporting came above 170 ADA, fortunate increase from P-1 reporting - the most difficulty was in the winter, as is for most schools.
- It would be beneficial for the school from a cash perspective to shift to ESSER III funding, deferring ESSER II funding to next year. There is an improvement in overall funding from the P-2 reporting count.
- Expenses - a lot of noise compared to budget but that's cumulative. Going back to the earlier budget, the real change in this month (March vs February) was curriculum in addition to this year and expanding for next year, and the expectation for student transportation was increased from previous months.
- Having access to the ESSER funding, reasoning for the excessive expenditures, the plan still reserves the same amount for the next 2 years.
- Cash balance is much worse this year due to the environment, but the ESSER funding helps stabilize that even though the cash is not there. The state apportioned some, the more significant claim made that won't arrive until after June. This includes factoring funding for 2021-22 to keep the school at this level and purchasing for 2022-23 would have to factor additional cash for purchasing. There is a possibility for more grant funding that will strengthen the outlook for the school for 2022-23.

## **B. Committee Updates**

### **Nominating Committee (Dr. Bard De Vore / Scott Barton)**

- Board Member Candidate Introduction, Dr. Angelia Barfield

## **C. Evaluation Process**

Dr. Ed Gonzalez - CEO evaluation process begins with Robert submitting a self-evaluation through BoardOnTrack. The Board will have a deadline to finish the evaluation and review with Robert. There will be a Board Workshop for the evaluation with CEO Mike Mizzoni.

## **D. Next Board Meeting**

Thursday, May 12th, 2022 at 4:00 PM

## **V. Ratifications**

### **A. HR Services Agreement with Gerbs Corp**

Motion to approve the ratification of the HR Services Agreement with Gerbs Corp. The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

## **VI. Action Items**

**A. Approval of Executive Assistant Job Description and Salary Schedule**

No vote made on this action item.

**B. Approval of Community Relations Coordinator Job Description and Salary Schedule**

No vote made on this action item.

**C. Approval of Fresno County Superintendent of Schools Psychologist Service Agreement**

D. Huff made a motion to approve the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools Psychologist Service Agreement.

S. Barton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**D. Approval of purchase for Hoffman Electronics Security Alarm and Surveillance**

D. Huff made a motion to approve the purchase for Hoffman Electronics Security Alarm and Surveillance.

K. Thomas seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**E. Approval of Christy White Inc Contract for auditing services**

D. Huff made a motion to approve the Christy White Inc Contract for auditing services.

R. Quinto seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

**VII. Board Member Comments**

**A. Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting**

Thursday, May 12th, 2022 at 4:00 PM

**B. Suggested Agenda Items**

SY22-23 Work Calendars

**VIII. Closing Items**

**A. Adjourn Meeting**

D. Huff made a motion to adjourn.

S. Barton seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
S. Collison

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