

# Golden Charter Academy

# **Minutes**

GCA Board of Trustees Meeting

Date and Time Thursday August 17, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Location Golden Charter Academy 1626 W. Princeton Ave Fresno, Ca 93705

Directors Present B. De Vore, E. Gonzalez, I. Green, K. Thomas, S. Barton

Directors Absent
None

**Ex Officio Members Present** R. Golden

Non Voting Members Present R. Golden

Guests Present A. James, J. Xiong, Mandy Breuer, Steven Morris

# I. Opening Items

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#### Call the Meeting to Order

E. Gonzalez called a meeting of the board of directors of Golden Charter Academy to order on Thursday Aug 17, 2023 at 5:35 PM.

# B. Roll Call

# C. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Bard De Vore.

# D. Approval of the Agenda

B. De Vore made a motion to approve the Agenda.I. Green seconded the motion.The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

# E. Public Comments

# II. Consent Agenda

# A. July 24, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

B. De Vore made a motion to approve the minutes from GCA Board of Trustees Meeting on 07-24-23.

I. Green seconded the motion. The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

# **B.** Financial Warrants

B. De Vore made a motion to approve Financial Warrants.I. Green seconded the motion.The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

#### C. Fresno Chaffee Zoo 2023-2024 Contact

B. De Vore made a motion to approve the Fresno Chaffee Zoo 2023-2024 Contract.I. Green seconded the motion.The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

# III. Information / Discussion

# A. Reports and Updates

# Principal Report (Mandy Breuer, Principal)

Four days into GCA 3.0! *Summer Institute recap video.* Math growth schoolwide at 14%. Reading jumped from 11.9 to 19.5%. 14.6% students scored average or above in ELA. 8.3% scored above standard in math. 4th grade - 4% scored at or above standards. How can we be more EFFICIENT? Focus professional development around environmental stewardship for best practices and academic growth. Seven environmental partnerships during the summer institute, including Kagan institute, focusing on classroom management. New in 3.0 - 2nd-5th strategic coaching around academics; one teacher to focus on ELA, one teacher to focus on Math. Every Thursday for the entire school year, teachers and learning guides will have the opportunity to meet and collaborate. Launching NOW! First units of study. TK working on identities, ourselves, families and community. Kinder - approved for a monarchs movement at FCZ. 1st - The Turtle Project. 2nd - Natural systems to improve the future, 3rd - Maglev Marvels, 4th - Energy Change/ Transformations, 5th - Our story in the Stars.

# CEO Report (Robert Golden, President & CEO)

Word of the year: *EFFICIENT*. Excellence. GOLDEN. Sllicons Schools - It's the culture and the way we train our teachers that will carry us from one school to another. 322 students currently enrolled. 14 available spots in TK. 175 students on the waitlist. 312-315 ADA (4th day of school). Recent meetings with Fresno Chaffee Zoo to better our partnership. Principal Mandy has been working diligently with the FCZ education team. FCZ will now be taking care of our zoo memberships and events. Working towards joint fundraising to build the new facility. The next meeting is set for August 24th. Director of Philanthropy hire in-house. Their focus is to bring revenue to GCA and this partnership. Set formal interview for August 29th for the top 5 applicants. Officially a community school with a 5 year grant (Community Schools Grant). 180k grant from ASES. Communication with new potential financial partners. Modulars have been installed and completed. Recent conversation with PCSD regarding their efforts with the modulars. Stay tuned for updates. August 29th/ early September - estimated time to finalize construction documents.

#### Financial Reports (Jim Weber, Charter Impact)

The budget is still at 312k with the new added TK class. Approval to Apply Title 1, 2 and 4 - in the action items. \$200 per student/ classroom salary. Expected - Board Report, how did you use the money?

#### B. 2023/2024 Board Retreat Date

Friday, October 13, 2023 @ 9am (5 hrs)

# C. Available Board Member Positions (2)

Land Development Environmental Steward

Advisory Board Governance Board

#### **IV. Action Items**

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# Consideration & Approval of 2022/2023 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding

B. De Vore made a motion to approve the 2022/2023 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding.

K. Thomas seconded the motion.

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

# B. Consideration & Approval of 2022/2023 Unaudited Actuals Report

I. Green made a motion to approve the 2022/2023 Unaudited Actuals Report.

B. De Vore seconded the motion.

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

# C. Consideration & Approval of 2022/2023 Education Protection Account Actual

K. Thomas made a motion to approve the 2022/2023 Education Protection Account Actual.

B. De Vore seconded the motion.

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

# D. Consideration & Approval of Director of Philanthropy Salary Range & Job Description

I. Green made a motion to approve the Director of Philanthropy Salary Range & Job Description.

B. De Vore seconded the motion.

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

# E. Consideration & Approval of Jackie Xiong (Executive Assistant) as Co-Signatory for Golden Opportunity Legacy Development. LLC

B. De Vore made a motion to approve Jackie Xiong (Executive Assistant) as Co-Signatory for Golden Opportunity Legacy Development. LLC.K. Thomas seconded the motion.

Title holding purposes only.

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

# F. Consideration & Approval of 2023/2024 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

B. De Vore made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

K. Thomas seconded the motion.

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

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# Consideration & Approval of 2023/2024 Annual Statement of Need (30-day Substitute Teaching Permit)

K. Thomas made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Annual Statement of Need (30-day Substitute Teaching Permit).

I. Green seconded the motion.

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

# H. Consideration & Approval of 2023/2024 Board Meeting Calendar

K. Thomas made a motion to approve the 2023/2024 Board Meeting Calendar.

B. De Vore seconded the motion.

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

# V. Closing Items

# A. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, E. Gonzalez