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## Intergenerational Schools

# Minutes

## August School Board Meeting

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### Date and Time

Wednesday August 28, 2024 at 6:00 PM

### Location

The Intergenerational School  
11327 Shaker Blvd 200E  
Cleveland, Oh 44104

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### Directors Present

B. Norton, C. Wald, D. Clark, J. Lopez-Inman, L. Carpenter, R. Bunton (remote), R. Nicolay, S. Miller

### Directors Absent

*None*

### Ex Officio Members Present

J. Lewis, M. Rado

### Non Voting Members Present

J. Lewis, M. Rado

### Guests Present

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A. Cascio, B. King, C. Dewerth, D. Mangen (remote), K. Parish, Michelle Lohner (remote), S. Alonso, Seamus O'Hara, Steven Lake

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## **I. Board Resolutions**

### **A. Board Resolutions for Schools**

The board resolutions were given to J. Lopez-Inman to sign for the IGS school board.

## **II. Opening Items**

### **A. Record Attendance**

### **B. Call the Meeting to Order**

S. Miller called a meeting of the board of directors of Intergenerational Schools to order on Wednesday Aug 28, 2024 at 6:02 PM.

## **III. Consent Agenda**

### **A. Consent Agenda-Approval of June 12, 2024 Minutes**

D. Clark made a motion to approve the minutes from.

J. Lopez-Inman seconded the motion.

Minutes were approved from the June 15, 2024 school board meeting.

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

### **B. Contracts and MOUs**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **C. Revision to Current Policy**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **D. Intent to Renew TIS-East Sponsorship Contract with Educational Service Center of Lake Erie West (ESCLEW)**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **E. Seizure Action Plan Designated Employee**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **F. 2024-2025 Staff Handbook**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **G.**

### **2024 Family Handbook**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **H. Adoption of Curriculum for Child Abuse and Sexual Violence Prevention (Erin's Law)**

Approved through the consent agenda

### **I. Personnel Actions**

Approved through the consent agenda

## **IV. Mission Moment**

### **A. TIS-East Admin Team**

A. Ahmad, B. McElrath, and J. Orbash discussed how the current school year is going and how they have been able to apply our mission to the school day. Each speaker shared how the mission makes them feel and how different it is from anything they have experienced previously. All individuals expressed great excitement in the 2024-2025 school year.

## **V. Friends of Intergenerational Schools**

### **A. FIGS Goals & Dashboard**

M. Granson reviewed the marketing and developmental dashboards for both the school and FIGS board. Megan discussed the current status of the delayed spring appeal. She explained the appeal was delayed due to the merger between TIS and LIS. To make up for the missed mailing appeal last school year, two mailing appeals will be sent out this year. The rescheduled Spring Appeal from last school year, was sent out with Bloomerang emails and social banners in an effort to boost engagement. Megan also stated that InBloom is currently working on a one pager for both schools, and the FIGS board. A. Watson gave an update on the current fundraising efforts, and the current progress of IGS fundraising goals.

D. Clark made a motion to Approve.

J. Lopez-Inman seconded the motion.

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

### **B. Tutorial on Posting, Liking & Sharing on Social Media**

K. Emrich and S. O'Hara gave a tutorial to both the school board and FIGS board. The tutorial went over how to get on all the IGS social media pages, and how to help boost engagement through like, comment, and sharing. They stated that they plan to help remind the board to get on social media once a week, to engage with IGS content.

## **VI. Public Comment**

### **A. Public Comment**

B. King asked if there was anyone who would like to make a public comment for the school and FIGS board. There weren't any public comments at this time.

## **VII. Sponsor Reports**

### **A. CMSD (NWIS) and ESCLEW (TIS) sponsor updates**

J. Lewis let IGS know that ESCLEW will be having a Zoom training from 9am-11am. She also stated that once completed the certificates can be sent to her or Julie. She also mentioned how she was able to meet with Aziz, and they discussed TIS being up for renewal this year. She stated that currently they are thinking of offering a 3 year sponsorship, but this is not guaranteed yet.

B. King mentioned that she, S. Alonso, and A. Cascio are completing the application as a team and explained the process's timeline.

M. Rado mentioned how the yearly signatures are due to the CMSD board by tomorrow. He also mentioned that the Needs Assessment will be sent out to April and Sarah, to distribute to the correct personnel. M. Rado stated that the fall site visit for NWIS is going to be on November 20, 2024, and discussed what they are looking for. He also mentioned he will be bringing along 2 guests to help complete the visit as well. He also mentioned that the board will have mandatory trainings, that he is happy to assist us with.

## **VIII. Merger Update and Strategic Plan Refresh FY25**

### **A. Merger Update**

B. King discussed how TIS is adjusting to the LIS merger. She discussed how many of the new teachers are licensed, and some of their background. She let the board know that, IGS is working with the individual teachers who are still in need of licensures. B. King then discussed the percentage of students who transferred to TIS, along with their grade levels.

C. Dewerth discussed with the board that IGS is having difficulties with busing students to TIS. He mentioned how IGS was recommended a bus company from CMSD, but the drivers have been having difficulties picking up and dropping students on time due to the route. C. Dewerth mentioned that we are at an 84% attendance rate at school for the students who should be riding the bus, but are not due to the route issues. He was sent a new route from ODS that could fix the issue, but it would require the students that are picked up first, to be on the bus for an 1 hour and 45 minutes. Unfortunately, the route is so long due to ODS being over-capacity and not being able to split the route in half.

S. Miller stated she wanted IGS to over communicate with families regarding the bussing issue, so no one feels it's not a priority to us. C. Dewerth agreed with S. Miller, and stated he will keep in contact with families regularly.

A. Ahmad discussed with the board how he has seen the LIS students adapting to transferring over to TIS. He mentioned that he has seen only positive outcomes from this situation so far, student wise.

**B. Strategic Plan Refresh for FY24-25**

B. King showed the IGS dashboards regarding all goals and current progress regarding the strategic plan put in place last school year. She discussed with the board, future plans and steps IGS will take, in an effort to reach each goal.

**IX. Finance**

**A. Approval of June FY 24 and July FY 25 Financials**

D. Clark made a motion to approve.

J. Lopez-Inman seconded the motion.

D. Karousis, from the IGS finance team Mangen, reviewed the IGS financials for June FY 24 and July FY 25.

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

**B. Revised Post Merger 2024-2025 School Budgets**

B. King and D. Karousis went over the revised school board budgets post merger. They also went over the updated 5-year forecast, now including the merge information as well.

Multiple board members were concerned that we may be spending too much money on an abundance of staff vs current students. They decided this will be something they will revisit in October, once the enrollment will be more stable.

L. Carpenter made a motion to approve the revised post merger 2024-2025 school budgets.

D. Clark seconded the motion.

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

**X. Governance**

**A. Nomination of Steven Lake to Near West Board and FIGS Board as NW Representative**

The board was ready to vote S. Lake onto the NWIS and FIGS board during today's meeting. However, J. Lewis stated that the vote would not count without the prior approval by ESCLEW of the applicant first. S. Lake and C. Wald to be officially voted on the boards during the October meeting.

**B.**

### **Advisory Councils and FIGS Board**

B. Nicolay went over the current members of the advisory councils, committees, and boards. He also talked about what the future council leadership will look like. He announced that R. Bunton will now be chairing the EAC Council. He also mentioned that IGS is preparing for the new board member orientation, which will be a 2-3 hour session. The board discussed the resignation of M. Olson and M. Charvat. IGS is planning on sending both board members a gift for all of their support of the school thus far.

L. Carpenter made a motion to approve the resignation of Bob Nicolay from FIGS.

D. Clark seconded the motion.

B. Nicolay explained to the board that he would like to resign from FIGS and solely be on just the school board.

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

### **XI. Executive Session**

- A. To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing**

L. Carpenter made a motion to go into executive session.

D. Clark seconded the motion.

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

### **XII. 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 9:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Clark

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