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Next Generation Charter Schools

Minutes

Expansion Committee Meeting

Date and Time
Monday December 18, 2023 at 4:00 PM

Location
https://metlcs.zoom.us/j/96674908731?pwd=T1kzNU5yQmcvdFhzcjRMa2dTSE9wUT09

Mission

At Nuasin Next Generation, we believe in the unlimited talent and intellectual potential of our scholars and our community. We cultivate this talent and intellectual potential through a progressive education that focuses on deep exploration, thoughtful questioning, relentless curiosity and critical thinking. Nuasin Next Generation Charter School implements a progressive K-12 educational program and an unyielding commitment to cultivating our scholars' innate intellectual talents to empower our graduates to achieve excellence in their postsecondary paths and make positive impacts on the broader community. Every single one of our scholars have the potential to be great and change the world, at Nuasin Next Generation we prepare our scholars for that opportunity.**3 Pillars**

The Mission of Nuasin Next Generation stands firmly on the foundation of our three pillars: Rigor, Self-Advocacy, and Community. These three pillars are the guiding principles for our school and culture. Please find a deeper explanation of our pillars below.

Rigor:
We use the word "rigor" not in the stringent or inflexible sense, but in the sense of an unyielding need to challenge and push our scholars because we understand and believe in the potential, talent, and ability of our scholars and community. We challenge our scholars to build their confidence and help them realize what they can achieve.

Self-Advocacy:
Our scholars are empowered to advocate for themselves, their families, and their communities. As our scholars come to understand that their voices are valued and needed, they learn to advocate for themselves. Our scholars are seen and valued; they understand that not only do they have the right to express their opinions, views, and perspectives, but it is their obligation to do so.

Community:
Our scholars will embrace community and understand that as a member of a community you have certain
inalienable rights, the right to be seen, the right to be heard, the right to be protected and the right to be loved and
cherished. Our students will also learn of their obligations. As a member of a community you have the obligation to
respect, listen, support and only want and assume the best in all others. Every member of our community must understand that they are active participants in the Nuasin community and the community goes as we go.

Committee Members Present
J. Scott (remote), M. Alston (remote), M. Russell (remote), S. Pressley (remote)

Committee Members Absent
A. Bothner

Guests Present
G. Borja (remote), Sarah Meding

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Scott called a meeting of the Expansion Committee Committee of Next Generation Charter Schools to order on Monday Dec 18, 2023 at 4:05 PM.

C. Approve Minutes 9/22/2023

J. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes from Expansion Committee Meeting on 10-18-23.
S. Pressley seconded the motion.
The committee **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Committee Business

A. Expansion Update

MR updates the team on expansion. MR reviews the different factors that impacted expansion decision. MR discusses the spaces that were in consideration. MR reviews staffing strategy to align with expansion. Also reviews the different expansion

possibilities. MR reviews the economic impacts and future decisions. JS revisits the cost of BAP and the challenges revolving this expansion opportunity. MR responds the difficulty in receiving feedback from the opportunity holder. JS inquires about timeline, specifically 2024 open. MR explains that there are still many theoretical possibilities but unable to determine without lack of feedback. Explains the challenges with receiving feedback from different levels of stakeholders. MR reviews different scenarios and the strategies moving forward. JS asks about hard stop timeline in pursuing opportunities and MR reviews the different constructs and factors that impact this decision. SP discusses relationship, timeline impact. MR reviews the conversation timelines. JS agrees with MR and explores his relationship strategy around incubator space. MR reviews the different avenues and timeline that can still exist. SP agrees in relationship strategies and asks about the different options for next year. MR explains there is only one option for next year. JS asks about staffing and MR reviews our staffing strategy. MR explains his strategy around HS expansion. MR discusses building out budget with fundraising concept. MR reviews the timeline for incubator space. JS discusses timeline processes. All team members come to an agreement about next steps and timeline.

III. 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 4:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Scott