APPROVED

The Main Street Academy

Minutes

Governing Board Meeting

Date and Time
Tuesday October 1, 2024 at 6:00 PM

Location
The Main Street Academy
2861 Lakeshore Drive
College Park, GA 30337

Directors Present
Chanel Recasner, Kanetha Stephens, Kenya Morris, Lisa Bentley-Whieldon, Michael Glanton, Nkiruka Onyia, Shameka Smith, Tangi Bush, Esq., Tangie Warrior

Directors Absent
Damion Dunn

Ex Officio Members Present
Dr. Chad Owes, Keyona Revere

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon called a meeting of the board of directors of The Main Street Academy to order on Tuesday Oct 1, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon made a motion to To approve the October 1, 2024 meeting agenda.
Shameka Smith seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

D. Approve Minutes from 7.30.24 Governing Board Meeting

Lisa Bentley-Whieldon made a motion to approve the minutes from Governing Board Meeting on 08-27-24.
Kanetha Stephens seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

E. Public Comment

No public comments submitted for September 2024 meeting.

II. Committee Reports

A. Budget and Finance Committee

August 2024 financial report presented by John Stiffler, CFO

Financial Statements August 2024
Income: $1,836,485
Expense: $1,595,711
Surplus/Deficit: $240,774

Cash on Hand YTD: $1,860,713
Cash on Hand Days YTD: 57

Fundraising
Mrs. Smith presented brunch as a fundraising idea. Possible date February 2025.
Kanetha Stephens made a motion to approve August 2024 financial report by John Stiffler, CFO.
Tangie Warrior seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Governance Committee

August 2024 Governance Committee Report presented by Tangi Bush

- Mrs. Bush will circulate dates for board training; will need feedback on dates by 12/15
- Discussed recruitment measures; how to ensure that recruits attend board meetings
- Continued conversations for succession planning

C. Academic and School Performance Committee

August 2024 Academic and School Performance Committee Report presented by Lisa Bentley-Whieldon

- Reviewed current ASP data presented by Principal Revere; discussed trends accross each grade level and compared to the state, county, and other south fulton schools
- Reviewed plan developed by teachers (presented by Principal Revere) focusing on improving schoolwide ELA, Reading, and Math GMAS scores
- TMSA Renewal Petition Interview Prep - discussed schoolwide initiatives currently in place to drive improvement
- Discussed faculty representative and how to keep the representative engaged.

III. Staff Reports

A. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director's report presented by Dr. Chad Owes

General School Updates

- TMSA supports Apalachee High School
- Safety and Security is a priority for TMSA
- ED is asking TMSA parents and community to monitor social media. Report as necessary. Report via FCS tip line or TMSA admin
- In the event of an emergency, TMSA will communicate appropriate information.

New Faculty Representative

- Congratulations to Melba Smith, Middle School Curriculum Coordinator & ESOL

Charter Renewal Update

- Charter Renewal application and petitition completed; sent to FCS and State Charter Schools Commission
- Board Capacity Interview - October 7
- Board to review petition packet before capacity interview

Compliance Due Date - snapshot

- Reviewed Upcoming due dates

Fundraising

- Seeking corporate sponsors, donors, players, and volunteers for 1st annual TMSA golf tournament (April 25, 2025)

Donations

- Thank you to Life Cycle Learning Center for furniture donation

Facilities

- Congratulations to TMSA Kitchen Staff. Received 100% on a surprise health inspection
- Two new donkeys for agriculture science program

Student enrollment

- Enrollment as of 10/1 - 833
- Enrollment may drop due enrollment verification/immunization audits

HR & Staffing

- Fully staffed as of 10/1
- Congratulations to Teacher of the Year, Mr. J. Lackey; Support Professional of the Year, M. Smallwood
- Still waiting to receive funds from Governor's Salary Stipend; once received will be paid out to staff immediately
- Finance Committe reviewed and discussed staff salary increases

Shameka Smith made a motion to approve the Fulton County Schools 2024-2025 assurances with added attorney clause.
Chanel Recasner seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Principal's Report

September 2024 Principal's Report presented by K.C. Revere

School Highlight

- PBIS Soar Team recognized for the 1st pep rally of the school year.
- 1st Club Day - Sept 13, 2024

- Teacher Workday - external facilitators were onsite to prepeare and collaborate on the school improvement plan; highlighted with teacher/staff kickball game for teambuilding
- Curriculum Night - students/teachers shared project based learning (PBL) experiences
- Staff Appreciation - Screen on the Green with TMSA staff
- Super Saturdays - mobile TMSA popup shop during flag football games

Student Achievement
GMAS

- GMAS Math scores release 9/30. Improvements in 3rd, 4th, and 8th for number of distinguished students
- GMAS ELA for Elementary - growth year to year has improved; in line with FCS; ahead of the state
- GMAS Math for Elementary - growth year to year improved
- GMAS ELA for Middle - growth year to year improved; ahead of both FCS and State
- GMAS Math for Middle - growth year to year improved
- Also saw year to year growth in 5th and 8th science GMAS scores and 8th grade social studies GMAS scores
- GMAS scores for elementary compared to neighborhood schools, TMSA outperformed all schools in ELA (2024), all schools but 1 for math (2023, 2024 data to be added)
- GMAS scores for middle compared to neighborhood school, TMSA outperformed all schools in ELA (2024); all schools but 1 for math (2023, 2024 data to be added).

MAP (Fall 2024)

- Achievement Overview (Reading) all grades - 55th percentile
- Achievement Overview (Math) all grades - 48th percentile

Coming Soon (Sept/Oct 2024)

- Flag football (various dates)
- Picture Day 9/30
- Pilot ELA GMA (7th grade) 10/1
- PSAT (7th/8th grade) 10/7
- ESOL Night 10/9
- Fall Break 10/14-10/15
- Professional Development day 10/16

IV. President's Report

A. Updates from the Governing Board Chair

August 2024 President's Report presented by Chanel Recasner

- Reminder - Board Interview 10/7 at 10:00am; meet at TMSA at 8:30a to carpool
- Mrs. Pearson has asked for the board to donate gift cards for New Parent Social on 10/23.

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 7:33 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chanel Recasner