

Global Scholars Academy (GSA) Board Minutes
Tuesday, November 19, 2019
Held in GSA Media Center at 6 p.m.
Meeting was called to order by Mr. William Smith at 6:01 p.m.

Open and Welcome

Roll Call of Members: Ms. Amy Noble

Board Members Present: Mr. William Smith, Mrs. Dorothy Hairston Mitchell, Dr. Linda Bass, Dr. Sandra White

Board Members Present via phone/Skype: none

Board Members Absent: Dr. James Johnson, Ms. Shelton Gore, Mr. Kirk McCoy, Dr. Tawannah Allen, Dr. Zakiya Whatley, Mr. Brian Wilson, Ms. Tammie Hall

QUORUM NOT MET - MEETING FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Non-Board Members Present: Dr. Andrea Carroll, Ms. Brittany Curry, Mrs. Eboni Alexander, Ms. Jamie Nobles, Ms. Amy Noble, Dr. Rachel Person, Mrs. Jeane Carpenter, Mr. Daniel Masse, Ms. Jasmine Hines, Mr. Klaus Johnson

Agenda Approval

Agenda cannot be approved until quorum.

Public Input

None

Review Minutes

No corrections. Minutes cannot be approved until quorum.

Standard Reports:

Dr. Andrea Carroll – Head of School Academic Reports

Current enrollment stands at 218 last years' enrollment was 206.

Truancy Update - Truancy Court took place 2 times in November for scholars with 10 or more unexcused absences. Families that did not attend have a makeup date of December 3, 2019. Dr. Andrea Carroll would like to discuss consequences for families that do not show up for Truancy Court.

End-of-grade Disaggregation - Dr. Andrea Carroll gave an overview of Grades 3-8 Assessments performance by proficiency levels in comparison to the State proficiency level. She then broke down the data further to share proficiency levels for math, reading, and science over the past few years and the goals for the 2019-2020 school year. We aim to exceed our goals this year.

North Carolina Team Chess Tournament - The Finance Committee approved the \$2000 budget.

November events were shared.

No changes in tech.

Brittany Curry – Managing Director 2019-2020 Fundraising Plans

She shared the grants we are applying for and waiting to hear from Goodnight Foundation and Grandfather Mountain. Also, waiting to hear about the 21st Century grant if it will be open this year or next year for GSA to apply. We submitted the NC School Safety Grant, Gardening Grant, NSA - a lot of interaction with them and the NSA is going to be involved in several events throughout the rest of the school year. Will be visiting LAS Symposium on December 10 with scholars and Science Fair in the spring.

TreesDurham and Tarheel Preview Days - both great events that were well attended.

Other Key Initiatives - TreesDurham media pick ups, Donor Engagement, Internal Initiatives, NSA Partnership, UNC NPBC, Winter Challenge/Fundraising Event, and Long Term Thinking.

Charter Renewal Process - The Letter of Intent was submitted in the Summer. Self Assessment and Assistance Tool was submitted in November. The Site Visit is upcoming. GSA has met every deadline. The Charter renewal fee is \$500. Will meet with UBC's Board of Trustees about charter renewal.

Mr. William Smith requested an additional slide with submitted grants and detailed information.

Jamie Nobles – Accountant Financial Reports

We are tracking well on revenue and expenses. Still waiting to receive Federal funds.

Union Baptist Church - YTD received - \$12,129

Financial Reports cannot be approved until quorum.

Budget planning will begin in January.

Old Business:

Mrs. Dorothy Hairston Mitchell requested a notice to be sent out prior to next Board meeting for elections. Update – not needed.

Health & Wellness Fair - was a huge success. Thank you to Ms. Jamie Nobles and Mrs. Bettie Lyons for all her hard work.

Tree Planting Block Party - mentioned earlier.

Latino Night - another huge success. Thank you to Ms. Pizarro for all her hard work. There were staff and scholar volunteers. Everything was done in Spanish and the English-speaking families wore translators.

The Board thanks the staff for work on all of these events.

New Business:

Audit Report - Mr. William Smith. Audit was clean again and there were no findings.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:54 p.m.