

Guadalupe Education System Inc.
Board Meeting Minutes
April 22, 2021

Meeting was called to order Beto Lopez at 4:31pm at the GCI Theatre room and via Zoom. The board members present established a quorum.

Board Members Present:	Beto Lopez	Sandra Garcia	Dr. Julia Vargas
	Jacob Derritt	Jaime Guillen	Phyllis Hernandez
	Daniel Silva	Justine Del Muro	

Board Members Absent: -

Other staff present:	Joe Palmer	Dr. Steve Lumetta	Dr. Katrina Lundien
Dr. Mike Wilhoit	Isela Castro	Dr. Jim Hammen	Eduardo Mendez
Charlotte Hawkins	Amy Williams	April Soberon	Elizabeth Marentes
Patricia Hernandez	Jesse Harvey	Claudia Meyer	Michael Meaney
Luis Posada	James Engelby	Mark Nasteff	

Consent Agenda

March 2021 Meeting Minutes
HR Staffing Board Report
March 2021 Financial Statement
March 2021 Check Register
March 2021 Credit Card Statement
Insignia Partners Agreement

Mr. Garcia moved to accept the Consent Agenda, Mr. Derritt seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

2021-2022 School Calendar- Revised

Mr. Palmer stated there were a couple of mistakes, we had President's Day and parent teacher conferences wrong.

Dr. Vargas moved to accept the 2021-2022 School Calendar Revised, Ms. Garcia seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Superintendent Report

60 Second Success Stories- Mr. Palmer gave a shout out to the Real World Learning group. Kudos to Mr. Mendez for getting transportation issues resolved. Mr. Palmer asked each of the school administrators to give a brief success story.

PreK- Ms. Castro mentioned they are finishing up their 3rd week of blended learning and they've had high attendance.

Elementary School- Ms. Soberon wanted to highlight a student that is doing really well. He started as a Kindergarten student when Ms. Soberon first started here, he had significant behavioral, emotional and academic needs. He is a highly successful 2nd grade group C student, he comes in 4 days a week as part of the special services group. Thank you to everyone who has helped him out.

Middle School- Ms. Williams stated they also have a group C middle school 8th grade student they want to highlight. The current teacher he's been working with has been able to eliminate disruptions he's made in the past and he's been helpful with other students. Ms. Meyer indicated that Ms. Williams will be leaving for another school next year and would like to thank Ms. Williams for everything she has done for the school so far.

High School- Mr. Meaney stated they had their district ACT tests, most juniors took the test and are really excited to see the results. Also, the girls soccer team is 4-1.

State Assessment- Dr. Lumetta indicated that all 3 buildings will be pursuing state testing over the next several weeks. Thank you to everyone who helped streamline the testing process. DESE mandated that we test at least 85% of our students, he is confident that we will hit that mark.

Strategic Plan Update- Mr. Palmer stated all cabinet members and principals participated in the 1st retreat on April 19. They discussed their "current state" based on data that was acquired from our focus groups, interviews and academic achievement data. Their next retreat will take place on May 4. All board members are invited to attend this meeting from 12:00pm-3:00pm at the GCI Theatre. The 3rd retreat will be on June 1. They will continue to work with Insignia Partners to fine tune their 4th and 5th year strategic plan and will present that to the Board of Education in the June meeting.

School Update- Mr. Palmer mentioned the schools continue with either option, blended or fully virtual with PreK attending 4 days a week. Elementary and middle school is currently 66% blended, 34% virtual; high school is 52% blended, 48% virtual. The plan to be fully on campus in August. They have submitted a RFP for transportation to 6 different companies, 3 of which are interested. The recommended bus company will be presented to the board in May. The Instructional Camp dates have been set and have been funded by School Smart KC. There will be 2 additional camps this year, ELL and Special Education. High School graduation will commence at the Community of Christ on May 25 at 7pm, all board members are invited to attend.

Operations Report

Mr. Lopez stated they have been struggling on hiring custodial staff, they are looking at other options to fill these positions for the time being. The high school is needing a new air conditioning and heating system, they will be getting a few bids to get that replaced. IFF is our space planning consultant, they finally were able to get the report and will affect each building, that information will be shared in the next few weeks. They are trying to prepare for growth over the next 3-5 years. The high school will now have an ice coffee bar, Michael Meaney will share the opening date once that's been confirmed. Mr. Lopez states he is working with marketing and a PR consulting firm on stream lining GCI and GES organizations.

Committee Reports

Finance Committee- Judge Del Muro stated they did meet, the Certified Salary Schedule is incorrect. Mr. Nasteff suggested the correct document be shared online and voted on for approval. Judge Del Muro moved to accept the correct Certified Salary Schedule 2021-2022, Mr. Guillen seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously** and approved.

Executive Committee- Mr. Lopez stated they did not meet.

Instruction Committee- Ms. Garcia stated they did meet. They discussed the State Assessment and school opening. A few other things discussed are the opportunities with School Smart KC is that

they are researching the possibility of supporting a consortium of students from charter schools to participate in virtual learning for the 2021-2022 academic year, they will look at that option. They also received an update from the high school principal, Mr. Meaney, that they are looking toward a trimester schedule next year and that would be a very important component of the Real World Learning and application they submitted to the Kauffman Foundation.

Safety Committee- Mr. Mendez stated they received feedback on the Health Manual that the nurses worked on, they made a couple of updates. They are still in the review process and are hoping to present and get approved in the May or June board meeting.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Public Comment

None

Executive Session

There being no further information to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez made the motion, second by Mr. Silva, to adjourn the meeting and go into executive session at 5:14pm. The motion was approved as follows:

Ayes: Beto Lopez	Phyllis Hernandez	Nays:
Dr. Julia Vargas	Jaime Guillen	
Jacob Derritt	Daniel Silva	
Justine Del Muro	Sandra Garcia	

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:14pm.

Sandra Garcia

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Respectfully Submitted

Sandra Garcia, Board Secretary

Next Board Meeting:
Thursday, June 24, 2021
Minutes prepared by Recorder
Patricia Hernandez, Administrative Assistant