

# Guadalupe Centers Charter Schools

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 18, 2021

The regular meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Beto Lopez, at 4:31pm at the GCI Theater room and via Zoom. The board members present established a quorum. Mr. Lopez welcomed all those present.

Members Present:	Beto Lopez, President	Jaime Guillen, Member
	Dr. Julia Vargas, Member	Sandra Garcia, Member
	Phyllis Hernandez, Member	Justine Del Muro, Member

Members Absent:	Jacob Derritt, Member	Valerie Coyazo, Member
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Also present:	Joe Palmer	Dr. Steve Lumetta	Dr. Jim Hammen
Eduardo Mendez	Daisy Myrick	Charlotte Hawkins	Patricia Hernandez
Michael Meaney	Luis Posada	Lineth Posada	Elizabeth Marentes
April Soberon	Jesse Harvey	Alan Olson	Shannon Spradling
James Engelby	Mark Nasteff	Amy Nasteff	Sophie Newman
Jeff Thorne	Sammi Novak	Kelsey Capentier	Laura Adams
Sydney Maserang			

Mr. Palmer introduced the new Communications Director at GCCS, Sammi Novak and new Controller at GCI, Jeff Thorne.

### **Consent Agenda**

October 2021 Meeting Minutes

HR Staffing Board Report

October 2021 Financial Statement

October 2021 Check Register

October 2021 Credit Card Statement

RFP HVAC at the High School

Ms. Garcia moved to accept the Consent Agenda, Ms. Phyllis Hernandez seconded the motion.

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Charter Renewal Application and Proposed Performance Contract Goals**

Mr. Palmer discussed the Performance Contract that is part of the Charter Renewal Application. The Charter School Commission gave a lot of input in regards to the goals and also worked with Insignia Partners as well as their Data Analysis consultant, Bruce Hensel. The Charter Commission suggested the school have 4 goals; 1: State Assessment Goal- State Assessment scores, 2: Interim Assessment Goal- NWEA, 3: English Language Development Goal- WIDA, 4: Partnership Goal between GCCS and GCI.

The state's board meeting will be held on January 11, 2022. The 5 year renewal will start on July 1, 2022.

Ms. Phyllis Hernandez moved to accept the Charter Renewal Application and Proposed Performance Contract Goals, Ms. Garcia seconded the motion. **Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Superintendent Report**

#### **60 Second Success Stories-**

Elementary School- Mrs. Soberon shared there is a first grade student that helps care for a plant as part of the BIST program. The student is happy with all of the blooms the plant now has.

Middle School- Mrs. Posada stated many of the ELD students are practicing their English skills by asking questions related to Thanksgiving. Many teachers and students were happy to answer their questions.

High School- Mr. Meaney mentioned the boys soccer team played against Van Horn last week, they didn't win but were really persevering and representing the school. He talked about the Aztec Ascension Program which started today, this is a mentoring program put on by their student council sponsor Mrs. Fowler. This program helps freshmen with the transition to high school, they are paired up with upperclassmen who are nominated by staff. They will meet twice a week to help mentor them.

**Counselor's Presentation-** Mr. Mendez worked with the counselors on putting together a presentation of things they do to help make sure students receive the help they need to be successful. Thank you to all of our school counselors: Laura Adams, Kelsey Carpentier, Sheila Olivares (GCES), Sophie Legenzoff (GCMS) and Sydney Maserang (GCHS). Each building discussed Student Needs Assessment Results, Student Referral Topics and Interventions. Each building held a Planning Survey at the beginning of the school year to help determine student needs. Some of the intervention methods used included Social Emotional Lessons, BIST Interventions, Guadalupe Centers Counseling, Synergy, Mattie Rhodes and MOCSA.

**Misc.-** Mr. Palmer wanted to give a couple of shout outs. The first to Mr. Salvador Montanez was an ELL student and has become a valuable teacher, he is in his 2nd year teaching at the elementary school. The second to Mr. Joseph Pulido, it's his first year teacher teaching 5th grade. He worked in our after care program and impressed Angi Beland who works with Insignia Partners.

### **Operations Report**

Mr. Olson mentioned if there are any items that need to be addressed, please let them know so they can get these items taken care while the students are out for Thanksgiving break.

### **Committee Reports**

**Finance Committee-** Mr. Lopez stated they did meet, all finances discussed in the Consent Agenda was reviewed at that time.

**Executive Committee-** Mr. Lopez stated they did meet. They discussed the Charter Renewal Application and Performance Contract Goals.

**Instruction Committee-** Dr. Lumetta mentioned they did meet. They also discussed the Charter Renewal Application and Performance Contract Goals. They talked a bit about goals for creating a 2-3 year Professional Development Plan for staff members.

**Safety Committee-** Mr. Palmer stated they did not meet.

**Old Business**

Mr. Lopez indicated he received a list of candidates to fill the vacant board member seat. A recommendation will be made at a later time.

**New Business**

None.

**Public Comment**

None.

**Motion to Closed Session)**

There being no further information to come before the Board of Directors, Mr. Lopez made the motion, second by Ms. Vargas, to adjourn the meeting and go into closed session for legal, real estate, personnel and student issues at 5:19pm. The motion was approved as follows:

Yes- Beto Lopez	Phyllis Hernandez	Absent- Valerie Coyazo
Dr. Julia Vargas	Jaime Guillen	Jacob Derritt
Justine Del Muro		Sandra Garcia

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Sandra Garcia, Board Secretary

The next Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, December 16, 2021**.  
Minutes prepared by Recorder: Patricia Hernandez, Administrative Assistant