

11/15/2018

Upon determining the presence of a quorum, Dr. April Willis called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Name	Office	Present	Absent	Arrived Late	Departed Early
Dr. April Willis	Board Chair	✓			
Alyssa Moore	Parliamentarian	✓			
Natalie Elliott	Secretary		✓		
Samantha Gladwell	Elementary Teacher	✓			
Jesus Aguilar	Secondary Teacher	✓			
Matt Embry	Secondary Parent	✓			
Chris Juraska	Elementary Teacher	✓			
Dr. David Molina	Community member	✓			
George Gentile	Community member	✓			
Kari Honea	Elementary Parent	✓			
Amy Adams	Secondary Parent	✓			
Priscilla Cavazos	Elementary Parent	✓			
Sruti Ramachandran	Student Rep (non-voting)			✓6:18p	
Kathleen Zimmermann	Executive Director	✓			
Joey Thompson	Director of Operations	✓			
Julie Atchley	Director of Federal Programs		✓		
Curtis Wilson	Secondary Principal	✓			
Terry Berkenhoff	Elementary Principal		✓		
Hweilu Chen	Director of Finance	✓			
Amy Elms	Community Outreach		✓		
Megan Podd	Secondary Asst. Prin.		✓		
Marcos Diaz	Human Resources		✓		

Other Business/Public Comment

The agenda for the evening was discussed. Item 3a was struck. David Molina moved to approve the agenda as amended. George Gentile seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed and voted on the minutes from the September 13, 2018 meeting. David Molina moved to approve the minutes as presented. Chris Juraska seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Jodi Cadle spoke on behalf of the NYOS PTA during public comment. She discussed Jag Fest, staff appreciation efforts, spring project proposals, and the Fun Run. The PTA currently has 284 members (177% of last year). The PTA received a membership award this year and will host another membership drive after Thanksgiving break. George Gentile has been communicating with the PTA and attended a recent meeting.

New Business

Kathleen Zimmermann presented information to the Board regarding the annual financial review (audit) for fiscal year 2018. Stephanie Harris from Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP provided a summary of the financial report via speakerphone and gave Board members an opportunity to ask questions. David Molina moved to approve the audit report as presented. Priscilla Cavazos seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Joey Thompson took the floor to present policies 600.100-600.300 and 100.020-100.040 as part of ongoing policy review. No changes are being recommended to the policies at this time. Samantha Gladwell suggested amending section 600.140 to include specific information about health benefits for part-time employees. David Molina moved to approve policies 600.100, 600.120, 600.160, 600.180, 600.200, 600.300, 100.020, and 100.040 as presented. Priscilla Cavazos seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The vote on policy 600.140 was tabled to a future date pending revisions to the policy.

Kathleen Zimmermann presented several items as part of the Executive Director update.

- Ms. Zimmermann reported that NYOS was awarded a \$400,000 grant (\$200,000 this year, \$200,000 next year) from the Charter Schools Growth Fund. The Webber Family Foundation also awarded NYOS \$15,000 for after school programming.
- At the recent Texas Charter Schools Association conference, Nekeida Pierce was recognized as an outstanding teacher and Ms. Zimmermann was recognized as TCSA Charter Leader of the Year.
- Ms. Zimmermann also shared some potential items for the next legislative session. She recently met with local congressman, Kirk Watson, and is participating in a local city council candidate forum.
- The school successfully completed a Food Service audit.
- Ms. Zimmermann has been meeting with financial partners regarding property development. She also met with the Charter Schools Growth Fund to discuss potential financing options.
- The Property Development committee has been making site visits to other schools and meeting with stakeholder teams. Project Management expenses to date are \$2,500.

Kathleen Zimmermann presented information regarding the selection of members for the NYOS School Board. David Molina and Alyssa Moore's terms are up for renewal this month and they are both seeking re-election.

Executive Session

The Board entered Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. in accordance with Texas Governance Code Section 551.074 regarding personnel matters: to deliberate the appointment of a public officer. The Board exited the Executive Session and resumed the general Board meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Board Member Election

Dr. April Willis announced the results of balloting for new members for NYOS School Board. David Molina and Alyssa Moore were re-elected as community members of the Board for one year terms beginning in December 2018. Amy Adams moved to approve the results. Priscilla Cavazos seconded. The motion passed unanimously (with David Molina and Alyssa Moore abstaining).

Committees

Matt Embry presented the Financial Oversight Committee update. Current enrollment is 1,019 students. The committee reviewed the audit during their monthly meeting.

Amy Adams presented the Board Development Committee update. The monthly training was regarding training requirements for charter school board members. There will be a full day training for Board members on Wednesday, February 20, 2018 at Plains Capital Bank.

Alyssa Moore presented the Property Development Committee update. The committee has been meeting weekly and is currently working on selecting an architect. Ms. Moore reviewed all of the progress the committee has made from the beginning of the project to now. PMSI is the project management company NYOS is working with for the property development. Ms. Moore's presentation included information about space planning, financing, communication, professional assistance, and strategic planning.

Other Business

Agenda items for the December Board meeting were discussed. Campus Improvement Plan updates, Charter First ratings, and policy 600.140 were proposed agenda items.

Adjournment time: 7:21 PM

Minutes submitted by Samantha Gladwell

Natalie Elliott
Secretary