

**Gateway Science Academy
Board of Directors Meeting
April 12, 2023, at 4:00 pm**

**6025 Chippewa Street, Ste#206
St. Louis, MO 63109**

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MEETING MINUTES

1. Session Opening:

Dr. Bagwell commenced the meeting to order with the roll call at 4:02 pm.

Members Present: Tim Bagwell, Orville (Beau) Goerger, Ali Durhan, Patricia Hunt (online), Kennedy Maranga (online)

Members Absent: Ben Diefenbach, Jacquelyn Lewis-Harris

GSA: Matt Sagnak – Asst. Superintendent, Nuh Celik – Principal (Online)

Concept Schools: Engin Blackstone – Superintendent, Hasan Damar - Treasurer

Dr. Bagwell read the mission statement.

2. Adopt an Agenda:

Mr. Goerger made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mrs. Hunt seconded.

Roll Call to Adopt the Agenda:

Tim Bagwell: **Aye**, Beau Goerger: **Aye**, Patricia Hunt: **Aye**, Kennedy Maranga: **Aye**, Ali Durhan: **Aye**

Motion approved.

3. Public Input:

None

4. Announcements/Acknowledgements

Mr. Blackstone shared the MS and HS graduation dates and venue information and invited the Board to both events. He also invited Board members to the Concept Schools Leadership Summit, which will be on June 12-13 in Chicago.

Three GSA Vex Robotics teams are advanced to the World Championship this year and will travel to Austin, TX, at the end of May to participate in the competitions.

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda

Mr. Goerger made a motion to approve the consent agenda, and Dr. Kennedy seconded.

Approval of February 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes

No discussion

Approval of January and February 202 Financials

Mr. Blackstone presented the budget details below:

- The January P&L report shows \$2,282,104 in total revenue and \$2,043,282 in expenses. It shows a \$238,822 surplus.
- The February P&L report shows \$1,869,543 in total revenue and \$1,810,174 in expenses. It shows a \$59,369 surplus.
- YTD surplus is \$2,242,277.
- YTD revenue is 80.3%, and expenditure is 70.4%. They are expected to be close to 66.7%
- As of February 28, 2023, the total cash balance is \$5,616,278. We have 90 days of unrestricted cash on hand.
- The total loan balance is \$2,931,852

Approval of Personnel Report

Mr. Blackstone presented the new hires and resignations since the last Board meeting.

Roll Call to Approve the Consent Agenda:

Tim Bagwell: **Aye**, Beau Goerger: **Aye**, Patricia Hunt: **Aye**, Kennedy Maranga: **Aye**, Ali Durhan: **Aye**

The consent agenda approved unanimously.

6. Items for Action:

Approval of Updated Policy Manual

The GSA policy manual is updated with the required policies adopted from MCPSA's model policies. Mr. Blackstone shared the updated policy manual with the Board and asked for their approval.

Mr. Goerger made a motion to approve the updated policy manual, Dr. Maranga seconded.

Roll call to Approve:

Tim Bagwell: **Aye**, Beau Goerger: **Aye**, Patricia Hunt: **Aye**, Kennedy Maranga: **Aye**, Ali Durhan: **Aye**

The motion approved unanimously.

7. Student Achievement and Activities - Superintendent's Report

Student Achievement:

Mr. Blackstone went over the 2022 Annual Report. The report shows a promising increase in students' learning in all areas, and the school met all the criteria in the accountability report.

School Dashboard

Mr. Blackstone presented the key school data on Unified Insight, PowerSchool's school data portal.

23.24 Enrollment Update

Mr. Blackstone shared the marketing effort for the student enrollment with the current enrollment numbers. There is an increase in applications, and the school enrollment officers are working on processing applications.

8. Board Related:

Board Evaluation

Mr. Durhan presented a brief Board evaluation report. He stated that the survey shows high ratings in most areas and mentioned two areas for growth: Professional Development and Stakeholder Engagement.

Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) Submissions

Dr. Bagwell stated that all Board members submitted their PFDs for 2022.

Conflict of Interest Acknowledgement

Dr. Bagwell also stated that all Board members read and signed the Conflict of Interest policy as it is required annually.

Board Training

Dr. Bagwell introduced an online resource provided by the Department of Education. It offers free FERPA training prepared for K-12 School Officials.

9. Closed Session:

Mrs. Hunt made a motion to enter into the closed session in accordance with RsMo 601.021(3) to discuss personnel matters, Mr. Goerger seconded.

Roll call to Approve:

Tim Bagwell: **Aye**, Beau Goerger: **Aye**, Patricia Hunt: **Aye**, Kennedy Maranga: **Aye**, Ali Durhan: **Aye**

10. Adjourn the Meeting

Mrs. Hunt made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Dr. Kennedy seconded.

Roll Call to Adjourn:

Tim Bagwell: **Aye**, Beau Goerger: **Aye**, Patricia Hunt: **Aye**, Kennedy Maranga: **Aye**, Ali Durhan: **Aye**

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.