

Green Tech High Charter School
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 9, 2023

Present: Matthew Toporowski, Board Chair, Dona Bulluck, Isaiah James, Barry D. Walston, Marie Allen-Campbell, Sierra Sangetti-Daniels

GTH Staff: Dr. Teresa Haig Nicol, Brian Rodriguez, Tanya Ford, Kelly Sweeney, Dr. Kim Davis

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order at 5:47 pm, by the Board Chair, Matthew Toporowski.

Public Comment: None

Motion

Dona Bulluck moved that the board minutes of January 12, 2023 be approved. The motion was seconded by Matthew Toporowski. The motion was carried unanimously.

Finance Report-was reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Kelly Sweeney informed the Board that:

- Last meeting Kelly reported that Watervliet had not paid what was owed thus far this year. Since then we have received a payment of \$107,000 from Watervliet.
- last meeting we were also informed that Schenectady's payment was pending as well but as of today they are paid up to date.
- Billing #6 is coming up. We still have an outstanding balance of \$190,000, but we are confident that we will receive the monies owed.
- State and Federal Lunch receivables has had a lag this year but is expected to come through.
- We have received a \$60,000 donation to the Internship Program from Charles Touhey. Mr. Touhey has also donated \$24,000 towards the senior's International trip to Dominican Republic.
- The last time that students were to go to the Dominican Republic the pandemic hit and everything was shut down. Jet Blue Airlines at that time could not give us a refund but they were able to give us a credit of \$10,000 which is being applied to the trip for this year.

Principal's Report-was reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Dr. Haig informed the Board:

- We have hired several first year teachers. Dr. Lowe and I met to work on restructuring our coaching model. We integrated a schedule for coaching and intensified it to support teachers.
- I worked with the Instructional Team on modifying coaching sessions for three middle school teachers. I met with the Data team on Edulastic data reports, Quarter 2 failures and action items to support teachers on reteaching strategies and instructional delivery.
- Due to EIA and Math scores are we will be giving our students a practice test to see where they are at and how to better prepare them.
- We held a zoom community meeting on March 8. During the meeting we discussed how Federal grants were spent at Green Tech, Traffic Safety, and Parent University Sessions.
- I met with Paul Madelene to discuss the fund raising campaign for the upcoming school; we are considering specific financial target goals.

Office Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Data Statistics Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Family Intervention Specialist Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Instructional Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Middle School Principal Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Director of Student Services Report: presented and reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Operations Report: - was reviewed by the Board (attachment on file)

Brian Rodriguez informed that Board that:

- The sign out front is in need of repair as the stone has been destroyed possibly by the storms this winter season.
- One of the motors blew in the gym. We are looking into the cost now for that repair and we are estimated around \$5,000.
- We have decided not to move forward with Colonial life Four Points at this time.

New Business

None

Executive Session

None required

Motion: With no further business Isaiah James moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dona Bulluck. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Our Board Chair, Matthew Toporowski adjourned the meeting at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By Tanya Ford-Otieno, Board Assistant