

# Dreamers Academy

Academic Excellence in English y Español



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## Governing Board Meeting

Thursday, November 21, 2019 @ 8:00 a.m.

Location: Teen Center, SOY, 1075 S. Euclid Avenue, Sarasota, FL 34237

### 1. Opening Session:

- a) Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum and Proper Notice

Members present: T. Chaffee, A. Weidner (phone), D. Kennedy, Deacon, H. Alvia

Absent: J. Delgado

- b) Agenda – Approval of Agenda

### 2. Public Comments: S. Zickafoose

### 3. Reports:

#### ▪ **Facilities Report – T. Chaffee**

1. YMCA Contract update – Reviewing purchase agreement with Dreamers Academy Attorney G. Mazzarantani, specifically any deed restrictions at the ESJ campus.
2. Retained real estate attorney – G. Mazzarantani
3. Predevelopment & Reimbursement Agreement – Feedback requested and submitted from board members. Feedback received and noted by Board Chair.
4. Capital for operations – Capital may be received from founders and used to support initial start-up of property purchase. A. Weidner to look into Imagine schools for method of appropriate accounting set up.
5. Initiation of Books – Chart of accounts to be created for Dreamers Academy, set for January 2020.

#### ▪ **Principal's Report – R. Zickafoose**

1. School Staff Allocation – Updated to match projections of school enrollment (see handout).
2. School Enrollment Projections – Updated school enrollment to house start-up year building projections (see handout).
3. Fundraising Efforts - These will begin in January or soon after. Suggestions of a teacher package to market to all size donors.
4. Hispanic Festival Data - Once again, it was a big hit. Language data collected from families/students: English – 23, Spanish – 42, Bilingual – 19, Not indicated – 26.
5. FLDOE Charter School Program Grant – Amount of funds increased from \$500,000 to \$800,000. Monies will support Year 1 and Year 2 (classroom libraries, furniture, curriculum, fireproof cabinet, accountant set up, IT infrastructure set up, a bus, etc.).  
R. Zickafoose to check district for vendor prices. All grant documents to be submitted before Christmas break.
6. Principal Contract – D. Kennedy to contact R. McClain to set up multiple year contract for principal.
7. Teacher contract – R. Zickafoose to send teacher contract to D. Kennedy for review.

#### 4. Board Discussions/Actions

##### Old Business:

Approval of Policy Manual (In DRAFT format)

Motion made by T. Chaffee, seconded by D. Kennedy, Motion approved unanimously.

##### New Business:

Highmark Call-in – Rep. J. Barbeau gave an update on purchase agreement for school site along with the timeline and development milestones to be expected. See Highmark handouts.

#### 5. Board Comments

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

#### 6. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned by Board Chair, T. Chaffee

#### **Attachments:**

- Policy Manual – hard copy for notebook
- School Staff Allocation – edoc.
- School Enrollment Projections – edoc.
- Highmark Dictionary
- Highmark Development Milestones