



Governing Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, February 28, 2024 @ 3:30pm  
Conference Room and Virtual Option via Google Meets

1. Opening Session at 3:30pm
  - a. Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum and Proper Notice
    1. Meeting called to order by Thomas Chaffee with quorum and proper notice confirmed. Seconded by Dan Kennedy.
  - b. Approval of Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2023
2. Public Comments
  1. None
3. Reports
  - a. Head of School – Dr. Cathy Rodriguez
    - i. Achievements - “A” school designation from FLDOE, 2023 Innovation Teacher of the Year Mrs. Josette Ortega, PTC Fun Run, Literacy Week
    - ii. Enrollment - At capacity this year and 108 Kindergarten seats have been filled, waiting list for next year.
    - iii. Preliminary budget and salary scale planning
    - iv. Dr. Rodriguez thanked the board for approving how we use the bonus funds 2023-24 Florida School Recognition Program on Thursday, January 25, 2024 and a letter was sent to the district as requested.
    - v. Dr. Rodriguez wanted to make the board aware that Jason Rodriguez, a family member, has joined the Dream Team. He used to work in the After School Program our first year 2021-2022. He will be rejoining our team as a paraprofessional.
  - b. School Improvement Plan - Ryan Lee
    1. Title 1 requirement
    2. Goals:
      - a. Increased Reading Proficiency through Small Group Instruction
      - b. Cultivation of Positive Culture
    3. Data:
      - a. Pm1-PM2 (3rd & 4th Grade)
        - i. Math - 18% increase in proficiency
        - ii. Reading - 9% increase in proficiency
    4. Action Plan:



- a. Intervention protocol cycles
  - b. Coaching teachers to be catalyst for accelerated learning
  - c. Family Engagement & Partnership initiatives
4. New business - Board vote
  - a. Charter Renewal Amendment for until 2026.
    - i. Motion for approval of the charter contract extension for two years by Thomas Chaffee, seconded by Dan Kennedy. Motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Calendar 2024-2025
    - i. Motion for approval of next school year calendar by Thomas Chaffee, seconded by Dan Kennedy. Motion passed unanimously.
  - c. Reduced fees for D. A. Davidson and the associated pre-payment for counsel
    - i. Motion for approval by Aylette Figueredo to approve fees for counsel, and seconded by Deacon Humberto. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Board Discussions/Actions
  1. Thomas Chaffee congratulated the team on a great job. Has been receiving calls from families that just wanted to say thank you.
6. Board Comments
  1. Board member Aylette Figueredo had a tour of the school. She stated it was very clean and has a great atmosphere - very positive. Her favorite part was the library.
  2. Geri Chaffee mentioned that the Herald Tribune will be running a story about the school on March 7th in conjunction with the inauguration of our Biblioteca Tech Center.
7. Adjournment - Thomas Chaffee motion to adjourn at 4:02pm. Dan Kennedy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.