



GOODWIN UNIVERSITY MAGNET SCHOOLS, INC.

**Meeting of the Board of Directors Thursday,
October 28, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. Goodwin
University 6th Floor Board Room 1 Riverside
Drive, East Hartford, CT
Virtual Meeting Option Via Zoom**

Members Present- Jackie Jacoby, Todd Andrews, Eddie Meyer, Megan Mehr

Members Absent- Mark Scheinberg, Merilee Dejohn

Staff Present- Sal Menzo, David Daye, JT Foster, Sheri Tanner, Tonja Kelly, Bryan Callender

Guest- None

Representing the public- None

1. Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Jackie Jacoby at 4:01pm.

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of GUMS Board Minutes of June 24, 2021

- Todd Andrews motioned to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2021 GUMS Board Meeting. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

4. Business Requiring Action

a. Resolution GUMS 21-04 – Appointment of Officers

- Todd Andrews motioned to approve Resolution GUMS 21-04. Eddie Meyer seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

5. Special Reports

a. Superintendent Update

- Sal Menzo shared Mission and Vision Statements and areas of focus for a District Development Plan.
 - The District Development Plan will focus on Engagement, Teaching and Learning, Partnerships, Resources, and Innovation.
- Sal Menzo thanked staff for their assistance in developing strategic plans.
- Sal Menzo provided updates on work with Literacy How to support curriculum instruction at both RMS and CTRA.

b. District Marketing & Enrollment Update

- David provided an update that neither RMS nor CTRA are meeting Sheff compliance numbers in applicant pool and/or enrollment.
 - There are 192 newly enrolled applicants for CTRA. Amongst those applicants 111 were from suburban towns, and 81 from Hartford.
- David shared that many operators are experiencing compliance issues due to a decline in application pool.
- Sal shared efforts to increase outreach through hosting events in key towns.

c. External Partnership Update

- Sal shared updates for growing partnerships through ECAMP.
- ECAMP has grown to approximately 24 partnerships.

d. School Update

- Tonja shared high rate of student attendance and shared RMS's emphasis on social and emotional learning curriculum.
- NAEYC reaccreditation is currently in process.
- Sheri was introduced to GUMS Board and shared efforts to establish an identity at CTRA Middle Level.
- JT Foster shared the impact of the passing of a CTRA senior scholar.
- JT Foster shared 93% of Juniors participated in taking PSAT's, updates for Mastery-based learning, and acknowledged CTRA's seniors for assisting in developing freshmen peers.

6. Executive Session to discuss attorney client privileged communication related to magnet schools

- Jackie Jacoby motioned to go into Executive Session to discuss attorney client privileged communication at 4:31pm. Persons included: Jackie Jacoby, Todd Andrews, Eddie Meyer, Megan Mehr (4:42PM Arrival), Salvatore Menzo, David Daye.
- Todd Andrews seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.
- Todd Andrews motioned to end Executive Session at 4:53pm. The motion was seconded by Eddie Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Schedule Next Meeting

- Next meeting will be communicated to GUMS Board.

8. Adjourn

- Todd Andrews motioned to adjourn the GUMS meeting at 4:55pm. Megan Mehr seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.