# NEW School of Innovation and John Dewey Academy of Learning Governance Board Meeting

Monthly Meeting Minutes for October 10, 2019 701 Cherry Street, Green Bay, WI 54301 October 10, 2019 | 5 - 6:30 pm | room 221

**Attended:** Jason Johnson, Colleen Simpson, Natasha Chung, Jen Agamaite, Kim Pahlow, Joannie Swiggert, Reed Welsh, Andrea Thiry-Wenz, Georjeanna Wilson-Doenges, Renee Every

Excused: Paula Manley, Becki Swanson, Amanda Garcia

IMPORTANT LINKS		
Governance Board Website	Board Members Info	
JDAL Website	NEW Website	

AGENDA ITEM	NOTES/DETAILS		
1. WELCOME AND BUSINESS			
Call to Order     Current Agenda     Rest Minutes	<ol> <li>The meeting was called to order.</li> <li>Motion to approve agenda. Agenda was approved.</li> <li>Motion to approve past minutes. Past minutes were approved.</li> </ol>		
II. UPDATES			
1. Authorizer 2. Community Presentations 3. Board Training 4.NEW  • general operations • financial • academic achievement • important dates 5. JDAL  • general operations • financial • academic achievement • important dates	1.A question came up about supervision of principals. Renee clarified that her job is to supervise principals. She stated that if the board or individual members has a significant concern to contact her first. Individual discretion must be exercised for smaller issues.  Renee offered to bring the school success plans to the Governance Board. These plans are presented as a collaborative whole across schools to the school board 3 times per year.  Renee discussed non-negotiable expectations for goals for all schools including:  -A professional practice goal that targets school achievement.  -Providing professional development to staff that is		

relevant to student achievement.

-Ensuring supervisors are providing specific feedback, both in oral and written feedback, that lets principals know how they are doing.

It was discussed that whenever anything is presented to the school board about the charter schools, this board would like to have the information presented. A calendar was developed during the retreat to help facilitate the coordination of information. This will be discussed as an agenda item at the next meeting.

- 2. Leadership Green Bay was at NEW yesterday. They will be adopting the school as their project this year. Their goal is to raise \$9000.00 for the aquaponics lab. They will do fundraisers monthly for various project/needs around the school
- 3.No board training. Jason stated that NEW started year 2 requirements for the grant. This will involve uploading artifacts and training completions into Head Rush. NEW school had the most documented trainings in the state last year.
- 4. Greetings from N.E.W. Innovation as we have moved into the second month of school. Our most exciting news is that we have had 3 students complete graduation requirements form the Academy program. This is a new record for how quickly a student was able to complete the required work. It is also a sign that open enrollment has changed some of the make up for our 12th grade program. At the same time our 12th graders are requiring very early attendance interventions for the same reason as more previous non attenders have started the school vear with us.

Our time at NWTC has been a real push for many students to engage in school. The more hands on the classes have become the more positive feedback we are getting from students. A meeting is in the works to debrief and start our planning for year two for the NWTC/N.E.W. CTE career pathway program.

Enrollment in the Academy continues to move forward to fill open positions created by student completers and for students who have been dropped for non attendance. For grades 7-9 we have 74 students enrolled. We will be accepting 6 more students at the end of the first quarter to increase enrollment back to 80.

N.E.W. also welcomed back Judy Sites as our new school psychologist. Our school Psych position was empty for the first few weeks of school. In addition, N.E.W. has become the home base for two floater paras for the district and are available for our use with students when they are not assigned to other buildings.

During the month of October we also had two events planned for our students to assist with building self and community culture. As we will welcome Muhib Dwyer, Kwabenon Nixon, and Dr. Z to N.E.W. In addition, N.E.W. has become the home of Proud Theater a community LGTB+ youth group.

Save the date: 11/26 – 11-12:30 Fall Harvest Dinner – Serving a turkey dinner and hosting lots of activities. This event is in partnership with the ID program from East High School.

# 5. JDAL Monthly Updates 2019-20 SY

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### **BUDGET**

1. Still have not received grant award number (GAN). All purchasing on hold until received.

## **FACILITIES**

1. Open concept work area and open railings proving to be problematic. Noise level a concern as well as distractions.

### **MARKETING**

1. Not actively marketing at the moment since we are full in all three programs.

# **OPERATIONS**

- 1. Staff feeling overwhelmed with the amount of work to be done between 6 people (duties, club advising, pbl advising, pbl101 seminar, quests, content seminars). Currently working to identify a different structure to our day that would alleviate their frustrations.
- 2. Recognizing that our middle school learners (and perhaps struggling high school learners) may also need a more structured approach to project based learning. Working with staff and students to identify ideas for what that could look like at JDAL.

# NOTEWORTHY

1. Senior received three acceptance letters for college.

2. Freshman working with GB Astronomical Society on project. Also collaborated with Home Depot. CALENDAR 1. Resource Fair (5:30 - 7:30 pm) 2. Event Night - November 14 (5-7pm @JDAL) 3. Pot Luck Pie (2 - 3:30) III. ACTION ITEMS 1. Yearly Work Calendar 1. This calendar will be presented at the next meeting. Jen. Jason, and Rene will review and revise the calendar 2. Updated Handbook Pages in the interim. 2. The mission, vision, and values were updated in the Handbook. The governance overarching board member responsibilities were revised. A motion was brought to accept the revised pages 1 to 4 of the Handbook. The motion was approved unanimously. IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS Pending items for ongoing Division of roles between the Governance Board and discussion: GBAPS school board was discussed. 1. Work Plan Assignment for the next meeting: Review the chart on 2. Independent vs. pages 3 and 4 of the handbook in preparation for the Instrumentality Boards governance board to discuss the 3. Dashboards for each school language/wording/content. 4. Board Assessment Tool 5. Vehicle Purchase Policy A discussion was had about policy. It was discussed that 6. Recruitment Packet for New the board might need to look at GBAPS policy and how the charter school policy aligns with and differs from that **Board Members** policy. This issue will be put on the December agenda. Jen and Jason will present this information to the Governance Board. Jen and Jason will focus on highlighting the differences between district policy and policies that pertain to charter schools. V. PRESENTATIONS none VI. REFLECTION AND FEEDBACK 1.It was confirmed that the quorum will be met for the next 1. Next meeting Attendance 2. Assignments for Next Meeting 2. Jen, Jason, and Renee will review and revise the

3. Exit Ticket	Yearly Work Calendar. Governance Board members will review the chart on pages 3 and 4 of the handbook in preparation for discussion.
	3. It was discussed at the retreat that the meeting evaluation needs to be modified at this point. No new instrument has been identified. The meeting evaluation link will now be on the agenda each month.

BOARD MEMBER TERMS			
Expires July 2020      Becki Swanson     Natasha Chung     Georjeanna Wilson- Doenges	Expires July 2021 <ul> <li>Kim Pahlow</li> <li>Amanda Garcia</li> <li>Joannie Swigert</li> </ul>	Expires July 2022  Paula Manley Colleen Simpson Reed Welsh	

COMMITTEES AND MEMBERSHIP			
Governance Committee  Becki Swanson Amanda Garcia	Development Committee  •	Finance Committee  • Kim Pahlow	

Academic Committee	Executive Committee
<ul><li>Colleen Simpson</li><li>Georjeanna Wilson-Doenges</li><li>Natasha Chung</li><li>Joannie Swigert</li></ul>	<ul> <li>President: Paula Manley</li> <li>Vice Pres: Becki Swanson</li> <li>Secretary: Natasha Chung</li> <li>Treasurer: Kim Pahlow</li> </ul>