

NLAE Board Meeting 5/19/18

I. Call to order Celeste Anderson, at 9:10AM

II. Roll Call: Director Alphonsa Foward, Dr. Sara Yum, Celeste Anderson, James Sledge, Theresa Thomas, Celena Cater

Excused: Dr. Mary Parker

III. Review and approval of Board Meeting minutes from March 17, 2018, April 21, 2018, and the Finance Committee meeting from April 21, 2018. Theresa Thomas made a motion to accept minutes as read, James Sledge seconded the motion, all were in favor.

IV. Items added to agenda we will set up two committees: Governance Committee, Academic Committee, to meet bi-annually. In addition to the Finance Committee.

We will add to agenda meeting schedule for 2018/2019. We will also add to agenda Board positions for next year.

- Financial Report: James Sledge. We are in a very, very strong position financially. Theresa motioned to accept financial report as read with no questions. Celena Cater seconded the motion, all were in favor.

- Budget Review: Budget to reflect 3 to 5 percent changes over the previous school year.

- We will have an excess over the FDIC limit of \$250k, in one of our bank accounts, which we will create another account to ensure all school funds are FDIC secured.

Theresa Thomas made a motion to accept the budget review as read, James Sledge seconded that motion, all were in favor.

- Theresa Thomas made a motion to approve opening of another bank account for monies in excess of FDIC limit of \$250k in our current account.

- Celena Cater made a motion to approve Alphonsa Foward to attend educational conferences over the summer, seconded by James Sledge, all in favor.

V. School Wide Updates

- Trip to China for 7th & 8th graders was very successful.

- Celeste Anderson & Celena Cater will attend kindergarten graduation on Monday May 21st, Theresa Thomas & Dr. Sara Yum will attend 8th grade graduation on Tuesday, May 22nd.

- School Nutrition Program: transferring to free and reduced lunch program to begins in August 2018, by vendor Simply Elegant. Motion made by James Sledge to accept Simply Elegant as vendor, Celena Cater accepted, all were in favor.

VI. Enrollment

- Ending enrollment 570; actual tentative enrollment is 652

VII. Testing: District Assessment, Student Performance Growth, and Youth Chinese, GMAS tests have been taken, results will be provided at June Board meeting. Site plan update: waiting for approval on our Annex.

VII. Approvals:

- Budget done

- Admin support/Teacher contracts for SY 2018-2019 Celena Cater motioned to approve, seconded by Theresa Thomas, all were in favor.

- Calendar for SY 2018-2019: Theresa Thomas made a motion to accept the calendar of Gwinnett County Public Schools, along with any necessary changes that GCPS may make. James Sledge seconded the motion, all were in favor.

- Motion made by Theresa to approve budget up to \$50k for change of flooring in kindergarten & 1st grade classrooms from carpet to hard flooring, contingent upon each classroom with new flooring provided a mat to

prevent skip & falls. In addition, a notice for teachers in those rooms to have a heightened sense of awareness of potential spills or hazards, Dr. Sara Yum seconded, all were in favor.

- James Sledge made a motion to approve purchase of technology infrastructure up to \$60k, Theresa Thomas seconded, all were in favor.

- In light of most recent school shooting, less than 24 hours ago, motion made by Theresa Thomas to approve updating safety and security up to \$60k, seconded by James Sledge, all were in favor.

- tabled: set committee, Alphonsa Foward evaluation, board officers.

VIII. Adjournment at 11:00AM