



Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday February 16, 2021, 5:00-7:00pm
Via ZOOM Video Conference

Board Members Present

Lisa Ali
Jamaica Burke
Margaret-Ann Leavitt
Adam Burrows
Kristina Campos
Emily Cervantes
Jennifer Evans
Julie Fincham
Pam Horiszny
Ed Likovich
Trina Maull
Frank Rowe
Deidi Sanchez
Shannon Saviers
Brittany Stitch
Barbara Washington
Emily Wasserman
Wogahta Wolderzghi

Board Members Absent

Ethan Hemming

GALS Staff and Consultants

Carol Bowar
Leah Bock
Carrie Donovan
Alex Jimenez
Alfredo Cervantes
Sandra Ibarra
Marianne Thomason
Sally Ryerson

Ed calls the meeting to order.

There is no public comment.

The minutes from January are approved as amended.

Academic Progress, Successes & Updates

John Stanley provides an update regarding academic progress through the first half of the year and goes through a presentation of data related to test results. The Board asks questions about the amount of progress we are seeing and how it might track to the SPF. There is also a discussion about metrics and how we as a Board should measure success. John provides additional information regarding the math labs and GALS' DEI efforts.

Carol provides an update regarding return to school and a high-level summary of current fall planning activities.

There is additional discussion regarding testing and equity issues.

Board Retreat



Ed provides an update regarding the Board retreat which will happen on April 9.

Governance

Shannon provides an update regarding governance committee activities, including standardizing our interview process, a board skills/attributes/inventory survey, and the Board buddy program.

Finance Committee

Pam presented an update regarding the work with G&G and the integration with QuickBooks. G&G is also working on a forecasting model. Pam discusses our current banking situation and suggests moving accounts to get a better return rate. The Board votes to move the accounts per Pam's suggestion. Jamaica abstains from the vote.

Enrollment Update

Carol provides an update on round 1 enrollment. GALS landed slightly higher than where we were after round 1 last year.

Alex presented an update on the first round choice initiatives and new initiatives for second round choice. Alex reports that round 1 numbers were low across the district due to Covid, however, he is optimistic for round 2.

Adam asks questions about what the numbers mean and if they are indicative of a trend towards lower enrollment.

Margaret-Ann provides an update regarding the new blog. Over 400 people have already visited the blog and it has only been live for 2 weeks. The goal is to use the blog to get additional information and answers to frequently asked questions to more people.

Development Committee

The GALS Unstoppable Campaign continues to be successful – we are \$50,000 below the committee's goal. The committee hopes to wrap up the campaign by 3/8/2021 (International Women's Day).

The board participates in a Conocimiento exercise to close the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7pm.