

**Board of Directors of Wayside Schools**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 25, 2019**

John Troy called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Board members present: John Troy, Glenda Ballard, Suzanne Kho, Stacy Erb, Lillian Diaz Gray

Staff present: Meghan Jones, Crystal Goolsby, Matt Abbott, Marcia Molinar, Francisco Garcia, Deroald Hopkins, Bardo Montelongo, Lisa Drummond, Lauren Whitfield, Brian Clason, Kierstin Howard, Hope Astor

Guests present: None

Public Comments: None

February 25, 2019 board meeting minutes were presented for review and approval. Suzanne Kho made the motion to approve the minutes. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Executive Officer Report

Matt Abbott presented the board Dashboard for the board's review. Attendance percentages have decreased slightly, but there are plans in place to resolve the attendance issues. Free and reduced lunch participants are fewer than they were at this time last year.

Meghan Jones provided a fundraising update. Funds raised to date are \$500,000. The gala raise so far is \$46,000. There are approximately \$300,000 in proposals out, primarily in the form of grant applications. Matt Abbott and Meghan Jones are trying to figure out how to identify more six-figure prospects. Kendra Scott Co. will be making a donation to Wayside. Kendra Scott's team will also be visiting Wayside: REAL Learning Academy on April 23rd to present the donations. Meghan Jones also informed the board the room for the gala is full.

Discussion and possible action on the Board Self-Evaluation was tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

Chief Academic Officer Report

Marcia Molinar presented the March Academic Report on Student Performance. Wayside: Sci-Tech High School principal Bardo Montelongo shared that now is when most college applications are due, so more acceptances should be coming in soon for our class of 2019.

Marcia Molinar then gave the board a talent update reviewing expected openings for 19-20.

Marcia Molinar also told the board the schools have been preparing for STAAR testing via Practice Perfect camp with scholars in all testing areas, and by training Principals and instruction leaders on the non-negotiables in test preparation.

Matt Abbott then informed the board Wayside would like to discontinue the International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Years and Middle Years Programmes, leaving only the Diploma Programme at the high school level. Matt Abbott requested the board approve Wayside leadership to reevaluate the IB Programme offerings to ensure Wayside meets the needs of its scholars. Suzanne Kho made the motion to approve Wayside leadership to reevaluate IB Programme offerings. Glenda Ballard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action on Special Education services concerning specific students was tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

#### Chief Operations Officer

Deroald Hopkins presented the statement of activities as of February 28, 2019. The budget is trending well in expenses and revenues. General spending will be closed during March and April, and the second budget amendment for fiscal year 19 will be present to the board in April. Days cash on hand still sits at 55-60 days. All revenues and expenditures will balance out by April. Leadership is in the middle of building the budget for 2019-20, and they will present it to the Finance Committee in April, and to the board in May.

Deroald Hopkins then informed the board Wayside will be maintaining the same teacher payscale for 2019-20, noting this will be adjusted to accommodate any legislation that passes regarding teacher pay raises, and these adjustments will be included in a budget amendment in July, if needed.

Francisco Garcia provided an enrollment update. 403 applications have been received--175 for pre-k. No pre-kindergarteners can be prequalified until after April 26th, based on the number of weeks before school starts. The enrollment team is working to clear the goal of recruiting 360 scholars, based on the Intent to Return forms from the Fall, and then they will reach out to principals regarding enrollment at their respective schools, to see where additional scholars are needed. Enrollment is also ensuring monolingual and bilingual scholars are reported as such, to ensure the classes for each reflect proper enrollment numbers. The enrollment team is also marketing via digital platforms. Additionally, they are participating in enrollment events.

Discussion and updates concerning specific personnel issues were tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

At 7:45 PM, Lillian Diaz Gray moved that the board exit open session and enter into Executive Session to discuss all items allowable by law. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:50 PM, Lillian Diaz Gray motioned that the board exit Executive Session and enter open session. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

At 8:51 PM, Glenda Ballard moved to adjourn the meeting. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.