John Troy called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

Board members present: John Troy, Glenda Ballard, Stacy Erb, Lillian Diaz Gray, Matthew Childs, David Shelly

Staff present: Ashlei Brittany, Crystal Goolsby, Matt Abbott, Marcia Molinar, Francisco Garcia, Deroald Hopkins, Brian Clason, Kierstin Howard

Guests present: None

Public Comments: None

March 25, 2019 board meeting minutes were presented for review and approval. Glenda Ballard made the motion to approve the minutes. Matthew Childs seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Matt Abbott presented a consent agenda for the board’s approval. Matt Abbott presented Suzanne Kho’s official resignation letter; appointment of a new board secretary, an update and modification to the official TEA attendance time policy, clarifying its language; an MOU with College Forward, pending a funding partnership with the KLE Foundation; an RFP for a new audit firm for the audit of 18-19 financials; approval of the discontinuation of the IB MYP, PYP, and CP Programmes; and the Technology and Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification for 2019-20.

Matthew Childs requested that the approval of the discontinuation of the IB MYP, PYP, and CP Programmes, the RFP for the new audit firm, and the appointment of a new board secretary be moved off the consent agenda to the main agenda. David Shelly seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

David Shelly made the motion to approve Suzanne Kho’s resignation letter, the TEA attendance time policy modification, the MOU with College Forward pending a funding partnership with the KLE Foundation, and the Technology and Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification for TEA for 19-20. Lillian Diaz Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Executive Officer Report

Matt Abbott requested the board authorize Wayside to communicate to the International Baccalaureate that the Middle Years, Primary Years, and Career Programmes will be discontinued. David Shelly made the motion to authorize Wayside to communicate to the IB its discontinuation of the MYP, PYP, and CP Programmes. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Matt Abbott provided a dashboard update. All numbers are holding steady as there is little change from last month’s dashboard.
Matt Abbott and Ashlei Brittany (in Meghan Jones Absence) provided a fundraising update. Matt Abbott informed the board the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation and Impact Austin cannot make gifts right now due to funding constraints, but they would like to apply again in the future. Ashlei Brittany added the Moody Foundation waitlisted Wayside’s application for consideration during its next application cycle. Ashlei Brittany also informed the board the gala will bring in slightly over $70,000, pending a $15,000 from one attendee.

Discussion and possible action on the existing Superintendent Contract for FY 18/19 was tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

Discussion and possible action on the existing Superintendent Evaluation for FY 18/19 was tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

Chief Academic Officer Report
Marcia Molinar is absent so all academic report items are tabled until the next meeting for discussion.

Discussion and possible action on Individual Special Education issue regarding students was tabled for Executive Session, as allowable by law.

Chief Operations Officer
Deroald Hopkins presented an RFP for a possible auditing firm change. The previous Wayside firm worked with no longer audits charter schools. Deroald Hopkins requested the board authorize the Finance committee to make the final decision on the auditing firm on behalf of the board, as the audit needs to start in June, and there is not another meeting until June. Stacy Erb made the motion to authorize the finance committee to choose the new auditing firm. Glenda Ballard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Deroald Hopkins reviewed the Statement of Activities as of March 31, 2019. All financials are still trending well. Days’ cash on hand is still on target to be at 50-55 days at the close of the school year. All FIRST indicators are green, with the exception of the long-term debt ratio.

Francisco Garcia provided an enrollment update. Current 18-19 enrollment numbers are holding at 2088. 502 new applications have been received to date for the 19-20 school year. The anticipated number of returning scholars is 1996, and the goal is to enroll 450-500 additional scholars for 19-20.

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

At 7:25 PM, Lillian Diaz Gray moved that the board exit open session and enter into Executive Session to discuss all items allowable by law. David Shelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:56 PM, Matthew Childs motioned that the board exit Executive Session and enter open session. Lillian Diaz Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

As a result of Executive Session deliberations, Matthew Childs motioned that the board authorize John Troy to revise the existing 18-19 Superintendent contract for Matthew Abbott, with support of legal
counsel, to explicitly state that funds budgeted for professional development may be used to pay college tuition. David Shelly seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Delayed by consent from earlier in the board meeting, Glenda Ballard made the motion to appoint Lillian Diaz Gray as Board Secretary to fill the role previously held by Suzanne Kho. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 8:58 PM, Lillian Diaz Gray moved to adjourn the meeting. Stacy Erb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.