

Board of Directors Special Meeting March 16, 2022 6 p.m. Zoom teleconference Call GCS School Board Meeting

A. Meeting Called to order at 6:01 pm

Roll Call:

President - Ryan Vesque - present
Vice President - Yianni Tousimis - not present
Treasurer - Amy Humphrey - not present
Secretary - Courtney Reynolds - present
Member, SAC representative - Elisa Kletter - present
Member at Large- Tully Gibbons -not present

B. Approval of Agenda: Ryan made a motion to approve the agenda for Mar 16, 2022, Elisa seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously.

C. New Business

1. Election Process for Board Member Position: Ryan: I just wanted to let everyone know publicly that I will not be running for the GCS board election at this time. I will be here to help out and volunteer as much as I can.

Elisa: We had our first election committee meeting last night, it is composed of myself, Chynnna Candlin and Karlan L. We talked about changing the voter registration process at our last meeting, I did strike those two paragraphs and they are gone. We did give the entire document a once-over and we saw some other things that we might want to think about changing, like changing the timeline for the candidates and the voting time.

Ryan: What is the election date? Elisa: April 27th- 29th. May 4th would be the official end date. May 5th would be the earliest date we could swear in a new board member.

Elisa: We would also like to update the candidate process, for example if we only have one candidate, we would like to say that we do not need to hold an election if this is the case. Courtney: So boards have to follow certain rules, have you looked into this process, and what we can legally do? Elisa: no I do not know if we have to or not. Courtney: I suggest you get this information and see what we can and can not do. Tully might even know. Ryan: What I ask you to do, I agree with Courtney, get an email together with the language you want to use, after that we can run it by Keith and Tully, and consider it at our next board meeting. Our next meeting will

be March 31, 2022, Thursday, would that be enough time for the election committee? Elisa: Yes, it certainly would work if only one person runs for the one slot. Candidate submissions will be due April 07, 2022.

2. Director Hiring Process: Ryan: We have to get this process started, we have a couple options, we can select a hiring committee again, we also have an option of hiring a third party. This is how Karen Quanbeck was hired. I presented the quote to everyone on the board. Elisa: From what I read yesterday it sounds like we would still have a hiring committee and it sounds like the burden would not be as big for that committee. Ryan: Correct, we would still have a hiring committee, that includes our stakeholders. The third party would be doing all the legwork and the screening and come back to the committee and would then pick the final selections. From the quotes I got and speaking to Bart and Amy we do have the funds to hire a third party. I know that GCS has struggled trying to find someone that fits in with our school. Hiring this third party would take out the emotional aspect on our part and truly strip it down to what the school needs as far as leadership goes. Tully thinks it is an attractive option and the board should consider it. I would like to set up calls to get us all talking to these companies to help us make our decision. Courtney: Maybe a representative from each company can attend our meeting on the 31st. Ryan: I don't see why not, I want our stakeholders to see what both companies are about but I do think we need to vote on this topic at our meetings on the 31st. Courtney: I would love to hear what our school needs? Lorray Singmaster said we definitely need a grant writer, but what else do we need? Please email us with suggestions.

D. Public Comment:

***A sign-up is provided before the meeting begins for all persons wishing to address the Board on issues. For legal reasons the Board will not accept personal complaints against any person connected with the school system at a public session. Speakers are called in the order in which they sign-up. Each participant begins by stating his/her name, address and organization if applicable. A MAXIMUM OF ½ hour is set aside for public comment. Comments are limited to 3 minutes for each individual. Participants wishing to express their views more fully are encouraged to write to the Board. Visitors will only be recognized at this time.

Lorray Singmaster: I want to thank you guys for moving so swiftly, I know you all are volunteers, I appreciate that. In regards to the job posting for the director and bringing in someone who is more focused on the business side of things, someone who can go after grants. In the past all of our principals have had a business manager. Looking at the needs of our school comes first, and I think they would benefit more this way. I suggest bringing in a counselor for behavioral needs. If we look for that as a model, we need to try and focus on what our school needs.

E. Adjournment : Ryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Elisa seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.

Approved 4/28/22