



**School Governing Board Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2017**

The meeting of the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona School Board was held on Tuesday, June 20, 2017, in Room 201. Girls Leadership Academy is located at 715 W. Mariposa Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Guadalupe Gutierrez served as recording secretary.

Members Present: Dr. Craig Thatcher, Nina Munson (telephonically), Jim Hensley (telephonically), Maryann Richardson, and Susan Bansak

Members Absent: Rona Kasen, Janita Gordon

Staff Members Present: Dr. Kellie Warren, CEO; Dawn Woods, CAO; Rod Kemp, CFO; Amanda Lasita, CDO; Ken Bornscheuer, Assistant Principal and Lupe Gutierrez, Registrar.

- **General**

- A. **Call to Order-Dr. Craig Thatcher**

- The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Dr. Craig Thatcher, serving as President.

- B. **Roll Call-Dr. Craig Thatcher**

- Dr. Craig Thatcher recognized Janita Gordon and Rona Kasen as not being present.

- C. **Citizens Interim**

- None

- **Adoption and Approval of the Agenda**

- Maryann Richardson moved to adopt the Agenda; it was seconded by Nina Munson. All were in favor.

- Executive Session

- None

- **Community Linkage**

- A. **Parent Ambassador Leaders (PALS) Liaison Report, Maria Holmes**

- No representative

- B. **CEO Report, Dr. Kellie Warren**

- Dr. Warren provided the following updates:

- The Florence Crittenton Corporate Board of Directors meeting was held today June 20, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. The Agency presented a conservative school budget to the board. Dr. Warren thanked the School Board members for their recommendations regarding the GLAAZ SY 2017 – 2018 Budget.
 - Dr. Warren, along with the development team is working on increasing sales at Flo's on 7th by asking for furniture donations to help promote shopping at the store.

- Dr. Warren shared the Agency was awarded the Grand Slam grant in the amount of \$100,000, to be used to purchase three new vans.
- Dr. Warren shared she and the development team are working on a mini campaign proposal in an effort to increase capacity by building additional housing on the Agency's Pierson Street property.
- Dr. Warren acknowledged and thanked the volunteer group from Deloitte that completed a deep cleaning of the facility on Friday, June 9, 2017.
- Dr. Warren shared the Girls Leadership Academy 2018 Graduation ceremony, held on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at Phoenix College, was a big success.
- Dr. Warren thanked everyone in attendance for their contributions to a successful school year.

D. Chief Development Officer, Amanda Lasita

Amanda Lasita provided the following Development updates:

- Amanda announced that the Agency is preparing for the 2018 tax credit year. Florence Crittenton qualifies for the foster care tax credit \$1000 (married couple) or \$500 (single filer). Girls Leadership Academy qualifies for the public school tax credit \$400 (married couple) or \$200 (single filer).
 - The Agency exceeded its overall FY 2017 tax credit goal. The total tax credit donation amount was \$330,000. The tax credit amount for the school was \$44,000. The tax credit goal for the upcoming school year is \$45,000.
- The Agency has exceeded its grant goal, totaling \$592,000 for fiscal year 2017. To date, there is \$420,000 pending in possible grant funding.
- The TLC Dance was held on Saturday, May 20, 2017. The event did not meet its fundraising goal, however \$27,000 was raised and there were 125 attendees.

E. Chief Financial Officer, Rod Kemp

Rod Kemp provided a financial update.

- Rod presented the proposed school budget for fiscal year 2018. He requested the School Board member's signatures and will upload the budget to the Arizona Department of Education on June 22, 2017.
- The State mandated teacher salary increase of 1.06% is included in the school budget.
- The month of May 2017 had an operating loss of \$23,000, which is \$30,000 unfavorable to budget. The total revenue was \$12,000 unfavorable to budget and total operating expenses were \$18,000 unfavorable to budget.
- May revenue was \$106,000 vs. a budget of \$118,000.
- May operating expenses were \$129,000 vs. a budget of \$111,000.

F. Chief Academic Officer, Dawn Woods

Dawn Woods provided the following information:

- Enrollment – A total of 121 students have turned in enrollment packets for the 2017 - 2018 school year.
- All GLAAZ staff positions are filled with the exception of a substitute teacher, for the upcoming 2017 – 2018 school year.

- Summer school began on June 5, 2017. Summer school is a 4 week session, providing instruction in reading, math and study skills. Students also will utilize the AVID curriculum and the academic support programs Read 180 and Math 180.
- Three Girls Leadership Academy seniors attended and were recognized at the Florence Crittenton Auxiliary Luncheon, on Thursday, May 25, 2017 for their Auxiliary Scholarship Awards.
- The Galileo Professional Development training has been rescheduled for August in order to include the new staff members.
- Dawn Woods, Kenneth Bornscheuer and Leslie Schultz-Crist attended the state sponsored Leading Change conference on June 14 - 16, 2017 in Tucson, AZ.
- Seven GLAAZ staff members will attend the AVID Summer Institute on July 26 - 28, 2017 in Denver, CO.
- Incoming senior Janeane Torres attended a Junior Achievement networking event and as a result, will be interviewed by the Junior Achievement Director and a Phoenix Police officer about her interest in pursuing a career in Criminal Justice.
- Incoming Junior Andrea Torres attended the ASU Cronkite Summer Journalism Institute. She was selected as one of only 30 total participants.
- Three students will attend ASU summer technology camps, The Art of Invention and Introduction to Making and Tinkering, June 19 – June 23, 2017.
- Anna Nguyen, incoming senior was accepted to the 2017 Midwestern University Health Careers Institute, July 13 – July 22, 2017. She was selected as one of only 48 total participants.
- Four students and Teacher Terry Poorten are currently on the Close Up trip to Washington D.C., funded by a gracious donation from the Dorrance Foundation.
- Incoming student Libni Medina is the first 2018 Girls Leadership Academy senior to become an Earn to Learn scholar.
- Students that were enrolled in the test prep class improved their ACT scores by 123 points.
- The final 2017 Scholarship and Grants Awards were \$375,832 per year and \$1,413,728 renewable.

G. President Board Member, Dr. Craig Thatcher

Dr. Craig Thatcher welcomed and introduced new incoming School Board members Anjulie Morse and Amanda Stolee and acknowledged out going School Board members Susan Bansak and Jim Hensley for their years of service, support and contributions to the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona.

- Dr. Craig Thatcher expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve for the past six years and acknowledged Nina Munson as incoming Interim School Board President.

• **Consideration of Consent Agenda**

None required

- **Action**
 - A. Approval**
 - Approve the May 16, 2017 GLAAZ School Governing Board Meeting Minutes
 - Approve the FY 2018 State of Arizona Charter School Annual Budget
 - Approve the 1.06% Teacher salary increase as specified by ADE
 - Adopt the FY 2018 GLAAZ BudgetAll were in favor.
- **Establishment of Next Meeting Dates, Times, and Places**

The next regular School Board meeting will be on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. Room 201
- **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Guadalupe Gutierrez
Registrar to GLAAZ