

School Governing Board Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2018

The meeting of the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona School Board was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 in Room 205. Girls Leadership Academy is located at 715 W. Mariposa Street, Phoenix, Arizona. Leslie Shultz-Crist served as recording secretary.

Members Present: Nathan Pullen, Nina Munson (telephonically), Marli Mayon and Maryann Richardson (telephonically).

Members Absent: Rona Kasen and Anjulie Morse

Staff Members Present: Dr. Kellie Warren, CEO; Dawn Woods, CAO; Rod Kemp, CFO; Ken Bornscheuer, Vice Principal; Leslie Shultz-Crist, Director of Assessment and College Readiness.

I. General

A. Call to Order – Nathan Pullen, Board Chair

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Nathan Pullen.

B. Roll Call – Nathan Pullen

Nathan Pullen welcomed everyone and noted that Rona Kasen and Anjulie Morse were absent, however, there was a quorum.

D. Citizens Interim

None

II. Adoption and Approval of the Agenda

Marli Mayon moved to adopt the Agenda; it was seconded by Nina Munson. All were in favor.

III. Executive Session: None

IV. Community Linkage

- **A.** Technovation Competition, presenter Brad Grant Computer Science Teacher
 - Mr. Grant gave a brief overview of the competition and shared the 5 apps that have been developed by the GLAAZ groups. He also thanked Nathan Pullen for his support in not only mentoring one of the teams but helping find the additional mentors needed.
 - Mr. Grant shared with the board the support that Lumen has shown for this project and that he and the girls are very excited about the progress
- **B.** Ken Bornscheuer introduced Josie Banta, Vice President of PALS who provided the report.
 - Josie Banta showed the new t-shirts that were designed to sell to raise funds to support the school. She shared that a decision would be made on cost and what the funds would support at the PALS meeting directly following the February 19, 2019 school board meeting.
- C. CEO Report, Dr. Kellie Warren
 - Dr. Warren provided the following updates:

- Dr. Warren has had the opportunity to speak about the Agency and the school in a variety of places:
 - On Wednesday, February 13, 2019, Dr. Warren attended the Arizona Council's Day at the Capitol to reach out to legislators and speak with passion about education.
 - On Friday, February 15, 2019, Dr. Warren attended the African American Conference on Disabilities.
 - On Saturday, March 2, 2019. Dr. Warren will be the keynote speaker at the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church (PRBD) Education Summit and speak about Social Emotional Learning.
- The Agency and school focus continues to be cash flow and there have been some encouraging updates:
 - Dr. Warren shared that there has been an increase in the census numbers in all programs.
 - Dr. Warren shared that the Agency has been awarded the Department of Child Safety Congregate Care contract and is excited for the opening of these programs in the next few months.
 - Dr. Warren shared an opportunity through Bank of America for current juniors and seniors. Bank of America provides a summer paid internship and an all-expense paid trip to Washington D.C. Dr. Warren would love to see some of the GLAAZ girls apply and take advantage of this experience.
- Teaming Up for Girls:
 - Dr. Warren encouraged everyone to attend, support and spread the word about the 17th Annual Teaming Up for Girls (TUFG) Luncheon on Thursday, March 21, 2019, at The Phoenician.
 - The Hope Award recipient has been chosen and should be announced within a few days. Dr. Warren shared that she is very excited about the choice and feels it will generate additional excitement around the event.
 - The goal for this event is \$430,000 and there is currently over \$209,925 in pledges and 52 of the 75 tables available have been reserved. Silent Auction donations have been remarkable this year, but we need people in the seats. Dr. Warren shared that a goal of 25 more tables has been set. Any help from the school governing board would be greatly appreciated.
- Tax Credit
 - To date, the tax credit total is \$260,000. This is low compared to last year. Dr. Warren encouraged everyone to remind their friends that the tax credits can be made until April 15, 2019.
 - Foster Care total amount currently is \$220,000.
 - Public School total amount currently is \$40,000.
- Grants:
 - Dr. Warren reported on the following grants:
 - The Agency is a finalist with the Builders Association. The grant would potentially replace the carpet, make repairs to the roof and provide three new air conditioners.
 - Dr. Warren thanked Nathan Pullen for helping make connections that may supply funding for the Capitol upgrades to technology. This grant would provide \$12,000 towards this project.
- **D.** CFO Financial Update, Rod Kemp

Rod Kemp provided the following overview of the GLAAZ financials:

- GLAAZ had a January operating loss of \$25,627, which is \$25,000 unfavorable to budget due to low tax credit donations. Total revenue was \$5,844 unfavorable to budget and total operating expenses were \$18,156 unfavorable to budget.
 - Year to date, the operating gain is \$12,445 vs. a budgeted loss of \$32,963 for a favorable variance of \$86,408. Total revenues are \$101,413 favorable and total operating expenses are \$14,005 unfavorable.
- January revenue was \$107,362 vs. a budget of \$113,206.
- January operating expenses were \$132,989 vs. a budget of \$114,833.
- Prior year comparisons:
 - State aid is up by \$64,000, a 13.5% increase compared to SY 2018.
 - Including National School Lunch Program and Classroom Sight Fund, total program revenue is up \$82,800, a 14.8% increase compared to SY 2018.
 - Contributions are down \$8,800 and grants show no change.
 - Total operating expenses are up \$19,580 which is just 2.4%.
- E. CAO Report, Dawn Woods

Dawn Woods provided the following information:

- Ms. Woods shared an update on the Galileo and PSAT scores with the school governing board.
- Enrollment and Recruitment:
 - GLAAZ enrollment for SY 2019 is currently 133,
 - There have been 5 student shadows, 3 parent tour and 5 new student parent meetings.
- Academic, Events and Updates
 - Digital SAT Grant the Junior Class took the Reading and Essay Digital SAT at GLAAZ without cost. The school will receive a \$500 stipend and \$15 for each completed assessment.
 - Arizona Department of Education (ADE) will have a site visit on February 21, 2019.
 - In honor of Black History Month, GLAAZ Highlighted the important legacy of Historically Black Colleges and Universities in higher education with a present-day look
 - The Varsity Club sponsored a very successful Blood Drive on February 8, 2019 there were 17 successful donors.
- Field Trips:
 - The GALS Club visited the Joy Bus Diner to help prepare meals for folks with cancer. It was a truly empowering event.
 - The Environmental Sciences class visited the Tonto National Park and Audubon Society as part of a semester long program.
 - Who Will Carry the Word The English 11 and World History classes had the opportunity to attend the play, "Who Will Carry the Word" at Grand Canyon University.
 - Two students were gifted tickets to hear Former First Lady Michelle Obama speak in Phoenix on February 8, 2019
- Guest Speakers:
 - Arizona Science Center provided a presentation on dissection with the Biology Class.
 - Sheena Singh Chiang, Public Defenders Office, Capitol Crimes Division, provided a presentation to the AVID 11 & 12 classes.

- JA You're Hired is once again visiting AVID 9 and providing a multi week in class preparation for the JA You're Hired Event in March.
- Bethany Wills from ASU provided individual help to the admitted seniors on their financial aid packets.
- PEO Sisterhood Chapters BA, BL, and CA presented Cottey College Summer Leadership Academy to the sophomores and juniors on February 19, 2019.
- Grant Updates:
 - GLAAZ has a Donors Chose fundraiser going to collect graduation supplies.
- Leslie Shultz Crist shared the following report on college acceptances:
 - 54 applications have been submitted and there have been 46 acceptances
 - 7 potential Obama Scholars
 - 6 Lumberjack Scholars
 - Students have been awarded \$124,497 in Merit Scholarship equaling \$497,988 in renewable scholarships and \$136,764 in Grants and Gift Aid equaling \$547,056 in renewable funds.
- F. Nathan Pullen, Governing Board Chair
 - Mr. Pullen shared that he attended the AZ K-12 Conference and identified a program that could help with retention. There are grants for teachers to work towards Board Certification.
 - Mr. Pullen shared that there is a Conference sponsored by Ability 360 that highlights summer camps in Arizona. The information about "Barrett Life at Barrett" summer camp will be highlighted and this would be a tremendous opportunity for students.

V. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA None required.

VI. ACTION

A. APPROVAL

• Approve January 15, 2018 GLAAZ School Governing Board Meeting Minutes Marli Mayon motioned to approve the January 15, 2018 minutes and Nina Munson seconded. All were in favor.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME, AND PLACE March 19, 2019, 5:00 p.m., Room 205

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

 Marli Mayon motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m. and Nina Munson seconded. All were in favor.