



School Governing Board Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2019

The meeting of the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona School Board was held on Tuesday, April 16, 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, Rona Kasen, Anjuli Morse and Maryann Richardson

Members Absent: Marli Mayon and Nina Munson

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

I. General

A. Call to Order – Nathan Pullen, Board Chair

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Nathan Pullen.

B. Roll Call – Nathan Pullen

Nathan Pullen welcomed everyone and noted that Marli Mayon and Nina Munson were absent; however, there was a quorum.

D. Citizens Interim

None

II. Adoption and Approval of the Agenda

Rona Kasen moved to adopt the Agenda; it was seconded by Maryann Richardson. All were in favor.

III. Executive Session: None

IV. Community Linkage

A. Student Presenters - Student Government (STUGO) members Yulianna Dominguez, Denise Dominguez and Jadhe Dominguez shared the specifics about STUGO. They presented invitations to the prom to Dr. Warren and all board members.

- Officers: Kendra Rubio (President), Fatima Bitheri (Vice President), Jeidy Adame (Secretary) and Brisa Ramos (Treasurer)
 - Advisors: Lisa Horton, Lupe Gutierrez and Veronica Saenz
 - Fundraising Events (Goal: Pay for Prom)
 - Monthly Gift Baskets, Theme Weeks - Casual Days, Halloween Dance and Family Fun Night
 - Volunteerism:
 - Catholic Charities Foster Care and Community Adoptions Annual Holiday Party
 - Community Event:
 - The Cinderella Affair
 - Fundraising Update:
 - Prom Expenses-\$3,700 (venue, food, music, photographer, and decorations)
 - Facebook Fundraiser= \$870
 - STUGO Fundraisers=\$1,200
 - Expecting to raise from Prom sale tickets \$1,000

- Short \$630 to cover the prom.
- B. Mental Health Awareness Presentation, Leanne Murphy, M.S.W., Regional Program Manager, Bring Change to Mind.**
 - Ms. Murphy presented the Bring Change to Mind High School Club Program. The specifics include:
 - It is a program run by students for students
 - There will be 2 in-person visits by BC2MC supervisors
 - \$500 stipend for events
 - Access to the club portal
 - Access to the meditation app - Headspace for all students
 - SWAG and any additional support needed or requested
 - Dawn Woods will research the program including sharing the specifics with Florence Crittenton clinical staff and follow up with Ms. Murphy.
- C. CEO Report, Dr. Kellie Warren**

Dr. Warren provided the following updates:

 - The Agency and school focus continues to be cash flow. There has been positive growth but we still have work to do. The agency will be focusing on the Family Preservation program and the school; as both have the ability to grow revenue.
 - Teaming Up for Girls:
 - Dr. Warren shared the 17th Annual Teaming Up For Girls Luncheon was very well received. Luncheon attendees had very positive comments about the venue, Keynote speaker, Visionary and HOPE Award recipients, silent auction and mystery boxes.
 - The goal for this event was \$430,000 and the amount raised came in under slightly at \$391,209.
 - Tax Credits
 - To date the tax credit total is \$402,000. This is less than 2018; however there are donations yet to be counted. The breakdown is as follows: Foster Care \$352,000 vs. \$378,248 (2017) and Public School Tax \$50,000 vs. \$57,829 (2017).
- D. CFO Financial Update, Rod Kemp**

Rod Kemp provided the following overview of the GLAAZ financials:

 - Total revenue was \$7,000 unfavorable to budget and total operating expenses were \$1,000 unfavorable to budget.
 - Year to date, the operating gain is \$24,000 vs. a budgeted loss of \$51,000 for a favorable variance of \$75,000.
 - March revenue was \$113,145 vs. a budget of \$120,306.
 - Actual State Aid was \$89,332 based on a student count of 128.42.
 - There were no additional grants; we recorded contributions of \$6,680 (individual giving)
 - Program revenue was \$2,037 favorable to budget (Classroom Site Fund)
 - March operating expenses were \$113,554 vs. a budget of \$112,476.
 - Student Activities/Athletics was over budget \$7,000 due to college visits, the graduation venue, varsity club shirts and soccer field rental.
 - Occupancy expense was over budget \$2,649 due to facility repairs and maintenance.
 - Travel and meeting expenses were over budget \$3,232 due to payment for the 2019 AVID Summer Institute.
 - Key Comparisons to prior year:
 - State aid is up 908,000 compared to last year which is a 15.4% increase.
 - Total operating expenses are up \$13,000 which is just a 1.3% increase.

- The 2019 year to date operating results is \$24,000 vs. last year's negative of \$68,000 (an improvement of \$92,000).
 - Rod Kemp discussed preliminary FY 20 budget information.
- E. CAO Report, Dawn Woods
- Dawn Woods provided the following information:
- **Enrollment and Recruitment:**
 - GLAAZ enrollment for SY 2019 is currently 129.
 - There have been 2 student shadows, 6 parent tours and 1 new student parent meeting.
 - **Academic, Events and Updates**
 - GLAAZ Student Survey was administered on Thursday, April 11, 2019.
 - National Honor Society Induction Ceremony is Thursday, April 18, 2019.
 - AVID 10 College Fair will be Thursday, April 25, 2019.
 - Senior Capstone Presentations will take place between April 30 and May 2, 2019.
 - **Assessments:**
 - AIMS Science was given on Wednesday, April 3, 2019.
 - AZ Merit testing begins on Tuesday, April 9, 2019.
 - ACT/SAT Practice Test will take place on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.
 - **Field Trips:**
 - English 12 students attend God Spell Play at GCU on Thursday, March 28, 2019.
 - Spoken Poetry Performance Competitions of which GLAAZ took first place multiple times, took place on:
 - Monday, April 1, 2019 at Phoenix College
 - Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at Phoenix College
 - Saturday, April 13, 2019 at GLAAZ
 - Arizona History Class Field Trip to Prescott will be April 22, 2019.
 - **Events/Awards/Guest Speakers:**
 - Former Florence Crittenton Board Member, Linda Levin presented a workshop on Healthy Relationships on Friday, March 29, 2019.
 - JA 18 Under 18 Induction for GLAAZ Student Fatima Bitheri took place on April 13, 2019.
 - Attaining a College Education Graduation at Phoenix College for 7 seniors will be held at Phoenix College on Friday, April, 19, 2019.
 - Arizona Christian University will present to AVID 12 on Thursday, April 18, 2019.
 - The Year Up program presentation to interested seniors was on Wednesday, April 10, 2019.
 - The Soccer end of the season banquet will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2019.
 - Spring Recess is Friday, April 19, 2019.
 - The Gold and White Gala Prom will be held at The Cedars Hall on Saturday, April 27, 2019.
 - The Varsity Club was awarded the Titanium Award for doubling donations at the Blood Drive. They will be honored at the Diamondback Game on Wednesday, May 1, 2019.
 - **Professional Development**
 - All staff participated in a Trauma Informed Self Care workshop on Wednesday, April 28, 2019.
 - Dawn Woods and Leslie Shultz-Crist attended the Arizona Department of Education Grant Training on Monday, April 15, 2019.

- **Leslie Shultz Crist shared the following report on college acceptances:**
 - 54 applications have been submitted and there have been 52 acceptances
 - Three Obama Scholars with four potential additional scholars.
 - Six students have been awarded the Lumberjack Scholarship.
 - Students have been awarded \$144,148 in Merit Scholarship equaling \$634,592 in renewable scholarships and \$159,328 in Grants and Gift Aid equaling \$637,312 in renewable funds. In total, seniors have received over 1.27 million in merit and gift aid!
- **Ken Bornscheuer shared the following report on the Spring 2019 Parent Survey:**
 - There were 60 respondents and the responses were very positive.
 - 100% of the parents who responded believe Student-led Conferences are important, feel comfortable contacting their child’s teacher and would recommend GLAAZ to others.
 - Is school attendance important and encouraged in your household, Do you feel GLAAZ is a safe environment for your child, and Do you support the school uniform? All received approximately 90% favorable responses.
 - GLAAZ administration will focus on increasing the number of parents who check their student’s grades and attendance on Power School as only 67% of parents who responded currently do this.

F. Nathan Pullen, Governing Board Chair

- Thanked everyone for their hard work.

V. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

None required.

VI. ACTION

A. APPROVAL

- Approve March 19, 2019 GLAAZ School Governing Board Meeting Minutes
Maryann Richardson motioned to approve and Anjuli Morse seconded. All were in favor.

VII. NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME, AND PLACE

May 21, 2019, 5:00 p.m., Room 205

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- Anjuli Morse motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m. and Rona Kasen seconded. All were in favor.