

Full Board Meeting
Monday, October 25, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.
Learning Commons

Attendees: *Becher, Bouws, Burgess, Dykstra, Groothuis, Hoezee, Johnson, Jousma, Rigterink, van Stempvoort, Woodfin*

Absent:

Guests: Ben & Julie Quist, Elizabeth Dombrowski & Katie (All Belong)

Meeting called to order: 7:00 p.m.

Opening Devotions: Hoezee

- I. Open Session for Comments from GCCS Community (7:00 p.m.)**
 - A. Comments from Ben & Julie Quist regarding potential proposals for open school board meetings.

- II. All Belong Visit - Elizabeth Dombrowski**
 - A. Presentation of All Belong's history and services, as well as plan for partnership with GCCS.

- III. Approve [September 27 minutes](#).**
 - A. Motion to approve: Groothuis; Second by Hoezee.
 - B. Motion carries.

- IV. Celebration of Successes and Blessings...**
 - A. Tailgate before the football game (even in the rain)
 - B. Volleyball game and double-header: well-attended
 - C. Lots of publicity of GCCS in West Side community
 - D. Well-attended athletic events and tailgating events
 - E. All Belong partnership and inclusive vision meshing with GCCS's strategic plan
 - F. Numerous sports accomplishments
 - G. Great feedback for boys 'soccer team from Potters 'House team; great response from team members despite the loss
 - H. First ever Hispanic festival in middle school
 - I. Parent-teacher conferences went well; Zoom format worked well

- V. Board Orientation for New and Returning Members - Mindi Johnson**
 - A. Overall organizational and governance structure.
 - B. Discussion of GCCS mission, core values, and strategic plan.
 - C. Role, duties/obligations of a strategic board (as opposed to a tactical board).
 - D. Fiduciary duties of board members, including conflicts-of-interest disclosures.

E. Overview of meeting structure and processes, including annual meeting.

VI. Board Report - Eric Burgess

- A. All Belong partnership.
- B. Organization chart: GCCS is considering additional hires in some administrative areas.
- C. Campaign for the Future: Review of recommendations from preliminary campaign advisory team. Discussion of initial meeting with new campaign advisory team and action items stemming from that meeting. Next meeting will be in late November. Review of preliminary drawings from architect for potential renovations to high school building.

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Executive committee (standing): [October 19 minutes](#)
- B. Curriculum Council (staff): Tami R., Dinorah D. -
- C. Financial Sustainability (task force): Heather H, Jim B, Becki Bykerk
 - 1. Update regarding potential daycare / preschool facility. The most optimal place to host this would be in the elementary school, which may require shifting some student populations. Aggressive timeframe would be at least a year for the overall timeframe of the project to go from start to completion. The committee is still discussing potential options but may come to board with recommendations later.
- D. Campaign for the Future (task force): Rob G - meeting monthly.
- E. Policy Committee (task force): Mindi, Jim B. -
- F. GCCS Foundation Board (standing): Jim B. -
- G. Marketing Promotions: Paul K., Kyle, Heidi Weesies, Laurens TenKate, Erin Nichols -
- H. Extracurricular (standing): Todd H (chair) - committee still forming

VIII. Miscellaneous Matters

- A. Next meeting: November 22, 2021 at 7:00 pm

IX. Executive Session

- A. Motion to enter executive session at 9:56 pm: Motion by Groothuis, second by Dykstra. Motion carries.
- B. Motion to leave executive session at 10:17 pm: Motion by Johnson; second by Becher. Motion carries.

Closing Prayer: Rigterink

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 pm

Upcoming dates:

- Exec meeting: 11/16, at 7:00 am (via Zoom)
- Full Board meeting: 11/22, at 7:00 pm (Learning Commons)
 - Devotions: Johnson
 - Closing Prayer: Dykstra
- [Board calendar for 2021-2022](#)