

Meeting Notes
Tuesday, December 20
6:45 PM

- I. Call to Order: 6:52 PM
- II. Roll Call (A=Absent, P=Present, E=Excused)
 - Zach Berman =P
 - Nana Boone =P
 - Grant Coleman =P
 - Marie Davis =P
 - Harold Givens =A
 - Curt Johnston =P
 - Cornell Longino =P
 - Rachel Sprecher =P
 - Stephani Wilford =Phone
- III. Approval of Minutes
Will be approved next month
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - Motion:** Curt Johnston
 - 2nd:** Marie Davis
 - Result:** Unanimous
- V. Public Comments—No public comment
- VI. Reports
 - a. School Advisory Council (SAC)—No Report and no updates
 - b. PTA- No Report
 - c. School Operations—See Principals’ Report for more details.
 - i. School is closed starting 12/22 and staff returns 1/4
 - ii. Prospective parent tours successful and three more scheduled in new year
 - iii. Petition renewal is still in progress
 - iv. CCRPI scores out and State of the School Address scheduled for January
 - v. AdvancED accreditation in progress
 - vi. Total enrollment is 1022 (down 1 student from November). Wait list is being contacted to fill grade level space and current family re-enrollment is open and goal is to have the maximum number come back; New family enrollment opens in mid-January until mid-February.

- vii. Faculty updates—two not returning after maternity leave (EIP and MS Spanish). Mrs. Schrock expects to be able to fill those positions.
- viii. Professional learning includes data team process, IB and instructional framework.

d. Board Committees

- i. Governance—Nana reported that we will do the policy review in January. Policy manual purchased and we now have a foundation for which to build from. Nana also received a board self-evaluation tool from GCSA and made changes to fit IAS' circumstances and will begin using it in the new year to set goals. Still looking for members for the committee. Nana encouraged board members to attend the GCSA speed dating.
- ii. Finance—Stephani reported that we are on track to receive State/local FTE dollars by end of fiscal year. Increase in revenue from food services. As of September 30, reporting a positive net income of \$59,901.97. Board requested explanations on some of the expenditures of the outliers to ensure we are still under budget. Will come back next month with an update on the outlying items. Stephani requested that the board vote each month approving her report.
- iii. Development—The board approved the letter and we will table the letter ready to go in January and be ready to support it. We need to be ready to show update and visuals of what grade is winning (consider a vinyl). Will run from beginning of year to end of year. Spring is ideal to give a push for the coming school year. Beginning of the year is not optimal for making asks. The board had a discussion about donating money vs. fulfilling volunteer hours. Consider a survey monkey for parents in the spring and tie to giving/recognition of volunteer hours—discuss in March. The Board discussed tax acknowledgement letters. The development committee will re-engage with Wes Wicker. Rachel is interested in offering a grant workshop for IAS teachers for professional development. There has not been an update on Title I.
- iv. Academic Excellence—Marie had a meeting with Kari and IB teachers to baseline understanding about academic vision. Goal is to benchmark, baseline and make improvements toward impact on two key outcomes. The board also discussed the CCRPI results and decrease in performance and the Cobb County schools did not renew the charter and offered a two-year extension. Cornell encouraged the board to support the school with resource development as well as teacher retention which will help drive some of the CCRPI indicators in a positive direction. Cornell challenged the board to think outside the box and thinking of creative solutions moving forward. District had questions about finances and state has questions about academics. The board discussed the urgency of a turnaround plan. The board is sensitive to the financial error issue still

pending with the county. Will invite legal counsel to a future board meeting to understand more about the situation and options.

VII. Discussion/Action Items

- i. Board Training will be released in January from GCSA
- ii. Board policy adoption will take place in January

VIII. Board Member Comments

Curt reminded the board about the importance of checking in with your child.

IX. Adjourn to Executive Session: There was no need to adjourn to Executive Session

X. Adjourn: 9:42pm

Submitted by Rachel Sprecher, Secretary