

**Galapagos Rockford Charter School**

**Board Meeting Agenda 10/25/2017 5:30pm**

2605 School St. (Lower Academy)

Meeting was called to order at 5:38

Board Members present: David Taber, Josh Binning, Rebecca Denzer, Michael Lane

* Review and approval of the June 2017 minutes
* Scholar Presentation- Dylan Lopez discussed Project Passport Trip to Costa Rica which included 6 7/8th grade scholars.
* Bright Spots presented by Gargano, Sharma, Alyousuf, Puckett
* Financial update – Review of financial statements- M Lane reviewed balance sheet and budget with no areas of concern.
* Facility Update at 2605 School and 3051 Rotary Rd. (Lane)
* Windows completed at Lower Academy
* Abatement completed at Upper Academy
* Parking Lot built under budget- Lower Academy
* Activity bus purchased for $28,250
* Dean of Culture Report
* Provided information on a variety of after school programming at both campuses including dance, taekwondo, cross country, basketball, horseback riding, choir, honors writing
* Provided attendance report- there is concern regarding the current level of attendance being below school goals. Deans will return with a more defined plan
* Discipline statistics were provided for both campuses.
* Dean of Instruction
* Reported on initial MAP scores at both campuses
* Electives- M. Alyousuf discussed the elective programming at the Upper Academy
* Playground Update- M. Gargano discussed the vandalism to the playground in August by non-GRCS children. Efforts are underway to fundraise and replace the equipment at a cost of approximately $9,000.
* Northwestern Participation- R. Sharma reported seven scholars participating at the summer NU program and another three participation in an online honors program.
* Washington DC Update R. Sharma 21 scholars went on the DC trip in June
* Enrollment Report (S. Puckett)- numbers have vacillated and the school enrollment is 312 scholars. S Puckett is working to enroll scholars.
* Upcoming Events (M. Gargano)
* Fundraising Committee- Board member Taber, Denzer and Binning agreed to meet as a committed in October.
* Meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.

**The next board meeting is February 7, 2018 at 5:30pm at the Lower Academy**

**Galapagos Rockford Charter School is dedicated to preparing scholars to be responsible, productive, college-educated adults capable of adapting and prospering in the changing global economy.**

**Core Values of Galapagos**

**Grit, Drive, Growth Mindset**