



Board Agenda February 28, 2023

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Roll Call

- Absent: Rebecca Denzer, Dr. Jon Lippitz, Andrew Schmitt
- Present: Michael Lane, David Taber (President), Joshua Binning, Javier Cruz

Public Comment

NONE

- Review of December 15, 2022 Minutes
 - Minutes approved
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- Glows (Puckett, Stroud, Oliver, Cook)
 - Puckett: After school tutoring is up and running 8/10 scholars showed growth
 - Stroud: 8th Grade ELA & Science finished a unit on GMO's and is connecting their learning to the Greenhouse
 - Oliver: Honor Roll Family Breakfast was well attended at the LA- 51 families in attendance
 - Cook: We have green eggs. Our chickens are producing eggs.
- Scholar Spotlight- Rep from Scholar Council
 - Valeria & Jessica updated the board about scholar elections and current projects.
Next meeting is March 28th.
- Staffing Update (Carifio)
 - Currently searching for a K-2 SPED Resource instructor and 2 scholar aide positions at the UA
- Financial Reports (Lane)
 - Financials through December 31, 2022
 - Newer dashboard- 156 days of surplus, 3 million in surplus, dashboard will all be green by end of year
 - IL just passed charter school facilities funding \$200,000
- Construction updated (Lane)
 - Solar light array, should get them installed at the end of March
 - Flooding at LA (Dec)- about \$30K of damage
 - Update on Proposal to install 12 solar panels at UA to convert water vapor to liquid, potable water- putting this on hold for the moment
- Food Pantry Update and Operation Warm Wishes/Coats (Hull)
 - Food Pantry has been open for a year
 - Served almost 1,000 families, 26 tons of food
 - Given out 42 coats
- Academic Update 2022-23 (Puckett and Stroud)
 - Goal 1: 90% of all scholars will demonstrate 1 year of growth by Spring 2023 (based on NWEA MAP)
Will report in the Spring
 - Goal 2: 50% of Scholars will be on grade level by spring of 2023 (based on NWEA MAP)
Based on Winter MAP we are not yet hitting this goal. Currently at 35% in ELA and 27.5% in Math

We are seeing growth and forward movement, but we are not quite where we want to be with grade level performance.

- Attendance Update 2022-23 Goals (Oliver and Cook)
 - Goal 1: Increase attendance by 5.27% during the 2022-2023 school year. (Move from 83.73%-89%)
As of yesterday, we are at 88.2%
- Enrichment Update (Kenney)
 - Scholar Council Bios are up on the website
 - Increase in number of scholars going to summer programs
- Enrollment Report (van Arneman)
 - Parent referrals is the highest source of new scholars
 - 191 scholars reenrolled, higher than last year
- Re-chartering (Boeddeker)
 - RPS board will receive a recommendation from the district at the March 14th RPS board meeting
- Interview possible new board member – board volunteers
- **Vote to return meetings to in person.** The board shall consider going back to in person meetings beginning June 6.
 - 4 yes votes to return in person at the next board meeting (all four present members)

Reminders

- Board Trainings (Lane)
- Graduation May 31- all board members are encourage to attend.

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

Next Board Meeting- June 6, 2023 5:30pm

Location (TBD)

Next Finance Committee Meeting- June 1, 2023 1pm

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