GEMS Board Meeting Minutes 12.1.2022

Call to Order: 5:37pm

Roll Call

Present:

- Patricia Farley
- Lisa Windom
- Nadine Connor
- Brian Brill
- Gyna Castillo
- Jackie Brown
- Barbara Wiggins

Absent: Luis Aguilar, Rosalind Bivings

Guests: Tara Meierkord, ED, Dr Joyce Brooks, Principal, Mr Taack, School Sustainability Manager, Bridget Phillips, Invited Guest

Public Comment

None

Welcome, President Farley

Approval of Board Minutes

Motion to approve: Gyna Castillo Second: Patricia Farley Vote: Unanimous approval

SPCSA Charter Amendment Vote

Due to enrollment numbers, the charter needs to be amended to ensure that enrollment is within 10% of the state charter agreement. ED requests that the charter be amended to 100 students, as this number is less than 10% above current enrollment and less than 10% below projected enrollment for spring 2023.

Motion to approve: Lisa Windom Second: Jackie Brown Vote: Unanimous approval

Review of Audited Financial Statement for FY 2022

Description of Financial Statement required of charters by the state. New requirements mean that the leased building needs to be listed on the financial statement; ED discussed how this appears in the current financial statement. This also makes comparison between current and past year difficult as this was not a requirement previously. A second change was discussed related to NVPERS (retirement program) that also has no impact on actual cash flow but must

be recorded. The pension liability statement is new and reflects the cost of PERS to the school, even though the cost is not an actual cost and has no added cash impact.

Motion to approve: Brian Brill

Second: Gyna Castillo

Vote: Unanimous approval

<Barbara Wiggins joined meeting at approximately 5:55pm.>

Discussion Only Items

- Update regarding short term loan request to cover CSP expenditures. Currently awaiting approval, will revisit in January.
- Treasurer's Report: reviewed updated forecast FY23 to finish +\$3,006 for the year inclusive of \$240K in fundraising.
- Discussion of new board attorney Jason Guinasso.
- Discussion of interest in open officer positions on the board. Members are requested to contact President Farley with their interest in open positions. The Secretary position in particular needs to be filled. Vote will occur in January 2023.
- Discussion of board goals and strategies to achieve them by Principal Brooks and Assistant Principal Taack.
- Review of revised CSP goals, discussion of connection to board goals and overlap between the two.

No board meetings in December, but there may be needed meetings for approval of certain required items. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, January 23rd at 6pm.

Public Comment: None.

Open meeting adjourned at 6:28pm. Board meets for Closed Session.

Board meeting officially adjourned at 7:18pm.