

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, January 16, 2025

6:30pm

| Board Members | Present |
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| David Miller, Chair | |
| Brian Moore, Treasurer | |
| Luis Bastidas | |
| Donald Williams | |
| Victoria King | |
| Ronnie Liggins, Jr. | |

Meeting Place: Next Generation Academy (Virtual via Zoom)

Reading of the Next Generation Mission Statement – Next Generation Academy will inspire students to become productive, literate, 21st century citizens by personalizing their learning experience, and encouraging them to realize their individual strengths and abilities.

Ethics Statement – Board members are reminded that it is our duty to avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflicts of interest as we handle the work of this Board. Does any member of the Board know of any conflict of interest or any appearance of conflict with respect to any matters coming before us at this meeting?

If so, please state them for the record. If during the course of the meeting, you become aware of an actual or apparent conflict of interest, please bring the matter to the attention of the chair. It will then be your duty to abstain from participating in a discussion on the matter and from voting on the matter. Is there a report of conflict at this time?

Open Session (6:30pm)

Call to Order:

- I. Reading of the NGA Mission Statement and Ethics Statement (Mr. Miller)
- II. Approval of Agenda (Mr. Miller); D. Miller entertained a motion to approve the agenda with two (2) additional items. B. Moore moved to approve the agenda. V. King seconded. Agenda approved.

- III. **Approval of Minutes** (Mr. Miller); D. Miller entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. B. Moore moved to approve the minutes; V. King seconded. Minutes approved.
- IV. Office of Charter Schools Renewal Site Visit (Dr. S. Misher); Dr. Misher explained that NGA is in the 3rd year of a three (3) year renewal so the Office of Charter Schools will come to NGA to conduct a Renewal Site Visit. Dr. Misher talked about the stipulations that were provided and mentioned that these have been handled. Dr. Misher mentioned that there are no documents that need to be uploaded because all throughout the year various documents have been uploaded so that NGA could stay in compliance. Dr. Misher stated that Board Members will only need to be prepared to discuss these items during the site visit. Dr Misher also mentioned that NGA had previously been on a financial disciplinary action with the Office of Charter Schools, but has now moved off the disciplinary action and is now in somewhat of a probation period. Dr. Misher stated that NGA is going in the right direction and everything is looking positive. Dr. Misher stated that he and Board Members will need to go to Raleigh to meet on March 14th and share what is currently being done at NGA and what will continue to be done financially.
- V. Review of Audit (Dr. S. Misher); B. Moore discussed the audit and budget report. B. Moore explained that NGA's benchmark was 60 and we are now at 29 days with \$197,000 in operating cash. The total cash balance is \$548,000. B. Moore discussed that the benchmark for salaries and benefits is 58 to 62% and NGA is at 54, which is in the green. NGA is also in the green on salaries compared to revenue as it relates to actual and budget. B. Moore mentioned NGA's operating net income through December was \$106,000 so this is in the positive. B. Moore also mentioned that from a revenue standpoint year to date through December total revenues were at \$3.4 million. B. Moore went on to explain that total liabilities are only \$39 million and does not include leases. Dr. Misher commented on the collection of allotments from different counties stating that payments are two (2) months behind, which is about \$174,000 that can be added as far as local funding. B. Moore mentioned that from an audit standpoint, there are no findings, no material weaknesses, no issues of noncompliance. Total assets of \$1.3 million and a positive fund balance at \$252,000. B. Moore also mentioned that NGA has paid off the short-term borrowing debt which is now at 0 and was at \$110,000 last year. Dr. Misher talked about the bond and purchasing of the building. He explained that the CPA is number crunching at this point and is working with NGA's auditor, Rebecca Barr to get information. D. Miller did not move to approve the audit. B. Moore stated that the audit is issued.
- VI. Calendars (Dr. Misher); Dr. Misher discussed the change from Power School to Infinite Campus which is a way to keep all of the data in one place and share it. Because of the change, calendars have to be in place earlier. Dr. Misher presented a three (3) year calendar for the Board's approval so the information can be put into NGA's Infinite Campus system. Dr. Misher mentioned that as of June 30th, NGA will no longer utilize Power School but will officially be set up with Infinite Campus. Dr. Misher also noted that NGA was not affected by the Power School data breach that occurred in December but was aware of the matter and vigilant to make sure that NGA was not affected. D. Miller entertained a motion to adopt the calendar for the

next three (3) years for NGA. B. Moore asked if the calendar could be changed. Dr. Misher stated that the calendar is a working document and the Board can come back and change it. B. Moore moved to adopt the calendar. V. King seconded. Calendars adopted for the next three (3) years.

Summer Testing Calendar: Dr. Misher discussed the testing calendar for the summer. NGA has a 2-week remediation camp for students who are not proficient on the 1st round of EOG's. The students are given another opportunity to take the test with some intensive remediation. Dr. Misher explained that because it is a testing schedule or testing calendar, it has to be approved by the Board. D. Miller entertained a motion to adopt the summer testing plan. B. Moore moved to adopt the summer testing plan as provided. V. King seconded. Summer Testing plan approved. D. Miller entertained a motion to move into closed session. B. Moore moved to go into closed session. V. King seconded.

Closed Session (7:30pm)

I. Personnel Action Report/Updates: D. Miller entertained a motion to accept the Personnel Action report as presented. B. Moore moved to accept. V. King seconded. Personnel Action report approved.