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MISSION

The George Gervin Prep Academy Governing Board's Mission is to provide resources, which support student growth and development as well as preparation of the administrative staff and teachers that will allow them to successfully compete in the educational arena.

MINUTES

May 15, 2025

Members Present:

- Herb Jackson, Chairman
- Michael Williams
- Dr. Robert Pipkins
- Dr. Tamela Harris
- Dr. Amina Simmons, departed early

Members Absent:

Norman Darkwa

Staff Present:

- Barbara Hawkins, Superintendent
- Dr. Milinda Crawford, Principal

Staff Absent:

- I. Call to Order – Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at 5:35
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – all present participated
- III. Call to the public – no public members were present - This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Governing Board. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.01 and in compliance with the Open Meeting Law, the Governing Board will neither discuss nor take action on issues raised during this portion of the agenda. When necessary, issues will be taken into consideration and placed on a subsequent agenda.
- IV. Approval of Minutes – No Minutes were available for review, will approve at next board meeting.
- V. Principal's Report – Dr. Crawford presented her report (*see attached*)
- VI. Superintendent's Updates – Ms. Hawkins presented her report (*see attached*)
 - a. Principal search (appoint a sub-committee) – the sub-committee consisted of Dr. Pipkin, Dr. Simmons, Dr. Harris and Charter Representative Hawkins

- b. Current Financial concerns and resolutions -discussion focused on projecting a net financial loss due to less revenue from ESSER, and not reducing any expenses, low enrollment and the loss of students. Dr. Crawford expressed her rationale for students leaving.
- c. Fundraising ideals – Ms. Hawkins stated she was working on some fundraising opportunities. Dr. Pipkin offered a couple of names of people who can assist in raising funds. Ms. Hawkins will follow-up.
- d. Plans for 2025-2026 school year – staffing, operations, student recruitment and enrollment, building partnerships
- e. Ms. Hawkins put in place a Transition Team to ensure the transfer of knowledge. Members of the team are: (LeSure, Jackson, Brown, Jasmine, Lompon). The major goal of the transition team is to work with Dr. Crawford and other key staff members to ensure a smooth transition.

VII. Committee Reports

- a. Finance Reports – Members and staff reviewed the financials
- b. Program/Planning: TBD
- c. Nominating: None currently per Michael Williams
- d. Procurement: TBD
- e. Special Events: TBD

VIII. Action Items – Approval of proposed school year 2026 Budget. Dr. Pipkin moved to adopt the proposed budget. Dr. Harris seconded. Motion approved 5-0

IX. Elect board officers – Board members were asked to determine what office they want to hold. A detailed discussion will occur at next meeting outlining roles, responsibilities and expectations.

X. List board meeting dates – Next two dates are June 19, 2025, and July 17, 2025, the Board discussed going to every other month or to maintain monthly meetings. Due to the changes it was agreed to stay with monthly meetings until a later date.

XI. Other Business - None

XII. Executive Session* - no executive session

XIII. Adjournment at 7:05 pm

