

**ACADEMY FOR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP CHARTER SCHOOL  
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF DIRECTORS**

**June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Directors of Academy for Global Citizenship Charter School, an Illinois corporation, was convened at 6:30 PM on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 4941 W. 46<sup>th</sup> St., Chicago, Illinois. Directors Sylvie Anglin, Kit Elmer DeWitt, Maritza Gonzalez, Valerie Coffman, Sarah Elizabeth Ippel, John Nix, and Bryan Soto were present. Director Matt Hankins and Amanda Hanley attended via video conference.

**The following items were discussed:**

- An information package for the board meeting was distributed via email to board members prior to the meeting. The information distributed included (i) the agenda, (ii) an Executive Director Report, (iii) Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Updates, (iv) draft January meeting minutes, (v) draft April meeting minutes, (vi) April board resolutions, (vii) FY 2023 Q3 Financial Summary with financial statements, (viii) draft FY 2024 budget, and (ix) an AGC Development Report.
- The minutes of the January and April board meetings were reviewed and unanimously approved.
- AGC Principals Bernice Salas Rangel and Saskia Rombouts provided an academic update. Attendance increased to 92.6%, which remains above the CPS average and also nearby schools. Today (June 20<sup>th</sup>) was the last day of school before summer break, and the graduation ceremony was also completed this past weekend. All of the teaching staff is returning in fall, except for one teacher. The enrollment of graduating 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in high schools was reviewed, as well as the student learning trips. The plans for moving into the new school were discussed, including the addition of the early childhood program, which was previously postponed until the new campus was opened. Operation of the all gender bathrooms was presented. Meetings for the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) committee was discussed, including training for staff. The plans for standardized testing and temporary assessments was reviewed, including the overall transition from MAP testing the IAR. Standardized testing for CPS is in English, while most students are in the dual-language program, so different tests reflect student dual-language skills.
- AGC Treasurer and Director of Operations Paul Guilianelli provided a financial update. As of June 1, 2023 and shown in the financial information in the board package, AGC's bank account balances were (i) \$942K in 2x operational checking accounts, (ii) \$2.621 million in the operational savings account and (iii) \$136K in the capital savings account. The following account balances are for the new building/site construction and the AGC Support Corp: (i) \$7.815 million in the AGC Support Corp Disbursement account, and (iii) \$0 for bridge loan balance with US Bank (which was full paid off by June 15). AGC has received \$29.6 million of the \$31 million DCEO grant. The move into the new campus is planned for early September. The Budget Committee has drafted the FY 2024 budget, where the largest change is an average 9% increase for staff. The increase reflects both inflation and AGC teacher salaries still average below CPS. Revenue increases for the upcoming fiscal year, since CPS provides additional per-student revenue for operating in non-CPS facilities. The FY 2024 budget projects \$358 K of net income for \$9.876 million of revenue. The Finance committee reviewed audit proposals and selected Orba again, which is significantly lower cost. Contracts and staffing for food service at the new campus was reviewed, with new food service employees and a new vendor at the new campus. The board of directors unanimously approved the FY 2024 budget.
- AGC Chief Development Officer Ryan Jones provided a Development Update. Fundraising for April 1 – June 15, 2023 totaled \$655K for the Capital Campaign, including \$150 K of funding for the Early Childhood program. Cultivate Collective has received \$205 K in funding this calendar year. The pipeline for the Capital Campaign was reviewed, with future funds allocated primarily to Phase 2 of the new campus. Fundraising for the AGC annual operating budget is approximately \$320K. Ernst and Young and the Illinois Climate Bank are assisting with funding opportunities primarily focused on Federal/State/City sources.
- Public comment. Several parents provided comments related to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Questions were made regarding AGC's responses to reported incidents of discrimination. A report from CPS for a recent incident is supposed to be available soon.

- The public portion of the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 PM. The board entered closed session to review previous meeting minutes. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM.

The next regular meeting of the Directors will be scheduled in the next few weeks.