



Board Minutes – November 17, 2022

Our Mission: Through rigorous curriculum, high quality instruction, and positive character development, Purpose Preparatory Academy Charter School ensures all K-4 students achieve the academic skills, knowledge, and ethical foundation to be set on the path to college.

A. Attendance:

Present by Zoom: Lagra Newman (Head of School), Charlandra Watson, Matt Hancock, Sallie Norton, Lara Henley, Domonique Townsend, Perry Gooch, Dale Mitchell, Rohit Padmanabhan, Kathy Nelson, and Amy Brown

Absent: Ryann Casey, Dr. Jerri Haynes, Vince Durnan, and Charlane Oliver

Guests: None

B. Proceedings

1. called Meeting called to order @ **8:37 a.m. CST**; Kathy Nelson made motion to approve minutes, Charlandra Watson seconded.

2. Head of School Report – Lagra Newman

Lagra Newman shared comprehensive updates about Charter Approval, Annual Report, and Recruitment efforts

- The Annual Report was reviewed. It will be disseminated with November giving letter to those on Kindful donor database and donors of the last 3 years. Last pages to be removed that contain leadership roster, attrition information, and compliance proposal.
- TN Charter School Center – Charter School of the Year. Changemaker award. Purpose surpassed all pre-pandemic achievements in ELA, Mathematics, and Overall. Purpose was the only school to reach this achievement in all 3 categories.
- Recruitment efforts for the upcoming month: Pitch added to newsletter, Get out the Purpose Canvassing, Boost Social Media posting on being School of the Year, and Parent Campaign – referral prog
 - Charters not included in this MNPS Choice Schools fair.
 - There has been pushback on this from Nashville Charter Collab
- 3 - 3rd grade class– 6 teachers (most were under enrolled).
- Teacher fellows added capacity
- Field Trips: Pumpkin Patch grade 1-4, Adventure Science 5th grade, Soundwaves 1st grade (parent sponsored.)
- Purpose Prep up for 10-year renewal – go before MNPS on Tuesday November 22
- Milestone Meeting with Charter Office – Successfully compliant.

3. Facilities – Perry Gooch

- Ron Coulter at metro has been contacted but hard to reach. Need to discuss process of buying property (vacant school buildings) from metro.

4. Governance

There are open board spots available. No other update

5. Fund Development –Sally

- Rise Save the Date to go out
- Solicitation Letter – Giving Letter include annual report
- Went over potential sponsors list to see if board has any contacts they can solicit.
- Levels of sponsorship:
 - o 10K, 7500K, 5000K – Lower amounts accepted but will not be consider sponsors

Meeting adjourned @ **9:49 a.m. CST November 17, 2022**

Prepared by: Amy Brown, Secretary.