



Board Minutes – January 26, 2023

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, Dale Mitchell, Rohit Padmanabhan, Kathy Nelson, Amy Brown, and Ryann Casey

Absent: Perry Gooch

Guests: N/A

B. Proceedings

1. Charlandra Watson called Meeting called to order @ **8:34 a.m. CST**; Dale Mitchell made motion to approve minutes last month with modifications on operating expenses report – change from dollar amount to days of cash on hand, Sallie Norton seconded.

2. Head of School Report – Lagra Newman

Lagra Newman shared comprehensive updates about the following:

- 90% of staff that were asked to return has agreed and signed on for the next school year
- 100% of operations leadership has agreed to return
- HOS discussed progress with retention, as well as some challenges, specifically direct targeting of their staff by another school
- Purpose Prep is deep in event planning for ‘A Decade of Purpose’ gala, Immersive Designs will be contracted as the event planning company

3. Facilities – Lagra Newman Head of School on behalf of Perry Gooch

- A meeting has been set up with a consultant to discuss future growth plans and organizational structure
- Purpose Prep received the facility grant from the state, as well as per pupil funding
- Grant application will be shared with the board for review of how it will be utilized

4. Governance

- There are open board spots available. A few candidates are being interviewed by Vice Chair.

5. Fund Development –Sally

- Enlisting sponsorships for the gala is a top priority, will resend information to board members for them to add capacity to this engagement process

6. Finance Report - Dale

- Working to clean up all uncategorized items 96k (60-70k on the income side)
- Strong cash low, enrollment is lower than expected this year but consistent from previous month

Meeting adjourned @ **10:01 a.m. CST January 26, 2023**

Prepared by: Amy Brown, Secretary.