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MARYVALE PREPARATORY ACADEMY**Board of Directors****Unapproved Minutes**

Date: February 7, 2018

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Great Hearts Quayle Campus

A meeting of the Great Hearts Academies-Maryvale Preparatory Academy Board of Directors was held at Great Hearts Quayle Campus, 3102 N. 56th Street, Suite 300, Phoenix AZ 85018, pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

I. Call to Order

Dr. Jackson called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. The following directors/administrators were present/absent:

Directors	Office	Present	Absent	Notes
	President			
Sarah Ragland	Vice President	X		By phone
Dr. Robert Jackson	Secretary	X		
Lesley Bennett	Director	X		By phone
Kristen Brook	Director		X	
Steve Erickson	Director		X	
Christina Lucas-Sheffield	Director		X	
Tiffany Quayle	Director		X	
Philip Matteis	Director		X	

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Katie Stewart	Director	X		
Kristen Twist	Director	X		By phone
Greta de la Melena	Director		X	
Sarah Dworkin		X		By phone
Administration/Guests				
Mac Esau	Headmaster, Maryvale Prep	X		
Jennifer Bradshaw	Manager School Accounting, GH	X		
Mehdi Lasker	Business Operations Manager, MVA/TPA	X		
Genevieve Peterson	Director of Major Gifts	X		

II. Call to the Public

<p>Dr. Jackson made a call to the public. Three members of the public were present. Melanie Young, GH parent and ACLU member, Amy VanLieu, GH parent and Leezah Sun, community member.</p> <p>Ms. Sun stated that her son was mistreated by a charter school and now she home schools. There needs to be inclusiveness at all schools. She stated these schools do not announce the meetings. She is disappointed in the education system. Parents are fed up. There needs to be diverse schools.</p> <p>Ms. Young stated as a parent and community member that the grooming for boys including braids, rat tails, and shaved heads is racist and exclusionary. The schools need to be more inclusive and break down barriers. In regard to policy changes, ACLU and parents need to be a part of the policy</p>	
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<p>making process, not done secretly by the charter board. There needs to be a better public posting of the agendas and be more welcoming.</p> <p>Ms. Young read a statement by Mr. Robert Chevaleaux, former parent, who left Great Hearts schools due to family handbook. He stated that there is a need to change the policy regarding hair styles that discriminate against students. Many cultures and religions grow out their hair for religious purposes and should not be excluded and schools should include more diversity.</p> <p>Dr. Jackson sated he will suggest that Great Hearts go back to handbook to review these policies.</p>		
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III. Election of Officers

		Tabled until next meeting.
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IV. Approval of Consent Agenda

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Approval of the Minutes from the November 8, 2017 meeting b. Approval of December 7, 2017 Telephonic Meeting 		Tabled until next meeting, due to lack of quorum.
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V. Headmaster's Report

<p>Mr. Esau presented the headmaster's report. He first stated that diverse families are dear to his heart and he wants to include dialogue. Mr. Esau explained the KPI's. In regard to test results, the academy is in the top 10% for its demographic. He sees growth in students that attend morning academic clubs. Current DIBELS scores data are strongest ever, above expected levels. There are literacy goals through Rainbow reading and working on math goals with Math</p>		
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<p>Quest. Margie Clouse, network Spaulding trainer, is working on the Spaulding alignment. The faculty has a strong level of commitment to the students and he desires to give them more support. Enrollment is strong. Building the K-12 campus in August is ahead of schedule, starting with the 9th grade. There will be more sections of K and 1st grade. At this point the academy is 45-55% full. He sees a warm reception from the neighborhood. The school day will be reduced to focus on clubs and homework activities. The Performing Arts Center will not be done at the beginning of school, but during school year. Much hiring to be done, but have the high retention rate, with all leads but one returning.</p>	
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VI. Approval of 2018-19 School Year Calendar

	<p>Tabled until next meeting, due to lack of quorum.</p>
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VII. Approval to change the Mission Statement of the Academy

<p>“The mission of Maryvale Preparatory Academy is to cultivate the minds and hearts of students through the pursuit of Truth, Goodness, and Beauty.”</p>	<p>Tabled until next meeting, due to lack of quorum.</p>
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VIII. Financial Report

<p>Mr. Lasker presented the Review of the year to date financial highlights and forecast. He explained variance, expenses and funding. Many variances are due to timing issues. .</p>	
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IX. Development Report

Ms. Peterson gave the development report. She discussed the tax credit goals and what is received. She also discussed gifts/grants, capital fund that needs \$310,000 to 315,000 still to be raised and pledges.		
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IX. Possible Executive Session

None.		
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X. Leave Executive Session

None		
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XI. Possible Motions from Executive Session

None		
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XII. Announcements/Adjournment

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. on the Maryvale campus. Subject to change.		Dr. Jackson adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.
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 Submitted by Board Secretary, Dr Robert Jackson

-Gena McFarland, Scribe-