

GUGCS I Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 16th 7pm

In attendance: Matthew Greenberg, Anne Levonen, Erin Acosta, Kathryn Klingenstein (via phone), Gina Palma (via phone), Anita Amoh (via phone)

The Board Meeting was started at 7pm by Matthew Greenberg.

Financials

Gina began a review of financials for GUGI and said that the numbers were very solid for this time of year. The Sped per pupil revenue was projected to be higher than originally anticipated in the budget due to a higher number of Sped students. Title II funding allocations approved by NYS are lower than anticipated in the budget, due to NYS adjustment.

Gina also said that medical insurance actuals were expected to be under budget due to there not being a premium rate renewal for 2018-2019.

Matthew then spoke about the lease for GUGI Elementary School and said that he would be getting the new lease term sheet soon. At the next board meeting, Cliff Schneider will try to get on the phone to talk about the new lease.

GUGIII Update

Matthew told the Board that there was a Public Hearing held last night at the GUGII gym, for the prospective charter school. He said the public hearing was the last step on GUG's part before being approved and taken to the Board of Regents later in the year. Matthew also said that he was supposed to hear back from the SED today for an update but that no update was available.

Fundraising Update

Erin Acosta then gave an update on GUG's Acting Learning Fund fundraising campaign. Erin said so far 23% of families had participated. A challenge grant of 5K was offered to the school by an anonymous donor and is to be matched (up to \$10k) until mid-November. Our goal now is to have 100% participation.

Matthew then talked about the idea of raising money with a cocktail for board members, where each member brings along a couple of friends to donate money to the school.

Erin said she plans to be ready for Giving Tuesday and more will be discussed at a later date.

New Business

Anne Levonen, one of GUGCS' board members is joining the school's sustainability committee. She and her friend both visited the Middle School campus last week and met with Matthew. Matthew told the Board that he and the prospective board member will be meeting again to discuss next steps in joining the school's board.

With there being no other business to discuss, the Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm. The next Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 13th.