

GUGCS June Board Meeting, June 12th 2018
2017-2018 Highlights of the School Year

In attendance: Matthew Greenberg, Ira Greenberg, Anne Levonen, Jeff Mueller, Steve Viola, Aris Colgan, Brittany Tuber, Kristen Lengyel, Alyssa Hockstein, Kersten Russell, Kathryn Klingenstein.

On the phone: Preethi Krishnamurthy, Gina Palma, Aramis Grant, Kate Hooker.

The Board Meeting was opened by chairperson Jeff Mueller at 7pm.

Board Minutes Approved

The GUGCS Board Meeting minutes from May were approved.

GUG Highlights from 2017-2018

Growing Up Green members of leadership introduced themselves: Steve Viola (Middle School Assistant Leader); Aris Colgan (GUG2 Co-Leader); Brittany Tuber (GUG1 Elementary School Co-Leader); Kristen Lengyel (Director of Counseling, GUG1); Alyssa Hockstein (Director of Support Services GUG2); Kersten Russell (Director of Support Services GUG1).

Each leadership member gave a rundown of the school year's highlights (attached).

Financials

Gina Palma then walked the Board through the financials. She mentioned that numbers were trending nicely and that she, Jeff Mueller and Matthew Greenberg were always tracking them.

GUGI 2018-2019 Budget

Gina presented the Board with the finalized budget for the 2018-2019 school year. The final version, she said, had major increases in salaries and benefits (since those costs are always rising). Jeff made a motion to approve the budget, the motion was seconded, and the Board voted in favor of approving the budget for 2018-2019.

Fundraising Ask of \$300K

Matthew Greenberg spoke to the Board about the fundraising efforts of the next school year. A fundraising letter went out a few weeks ago that mentioned the school raising \$80K this past year through the Read-a-thon and other sources, but the fundraising letter is a new way for us to raise money.

New Business: Update on GUG3

Jeff Mueller spoke about the GUG3 site in Jamaica, Queens, and said that the facility was a great opportunity for Growing Up Green. Matthew then told the Board that he and his team had signed a lease on Friday for the new Jamaica facility for Growing Up Green 3. Matthew said that he and Aris Colgan are working on a Letter of Intent for July, and a full application will be due in August.

The GUGI Board Meeting was closed out by Jeff Mueller