

Board Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2018  
**Georgia School for Innovation and the Classics**

			Next Meeting:	Next Time:	Prepared by:
02/20/18	4:21 PM	5:54 PM	03/20/18	4:15 PM	S. Woods
Meeting Location:					
Georgia School for Innovation and the Classics					

Attended by:		
Robert Buchwitz Danny Brewington Roger James Glenn O’Steen Eugene Yu Wright McLeod	Jody Boulineau Paula Kaminski David Jenkins Julie Hawkins Sandra Woods	11 Staff Members 17 Parents

**CALL TO ORDER (Mr. Buchwitz)**

**I. Administrative Functions**

- A motion was made by Mr. McLeod to table the approval of last month’s minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. O’Steen. The motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. James to add the new School Calendar to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. McLeod. The motion passed unanimously.

**II. School Related Reports**

Principal’s Report:

- Total enrollment – 702 students
- 3 students have withdrawn.
- 1 new teacher was hired.
- Project Based Learning training was held on January 8 by Mr. Kent Moore.

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- The school is still having issues with the Wifi.
- Administration met with all grade levels to discuss students' grades.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade has the highest number of students in danger of failing. According to the Progress Reports, 28 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are failing 2 or more subjects. It was recommended by Mr. Buchwitz that these students attend the After School tutoring that is being offered.

**III. Financial Report:**

- The deficit from the After School Program has decreased.

**IV. New Business**

- The calendar for the 2018-2019 school year was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. McLeod to accept the calendar. The motion was seconded by Mr. James. The motion passed unanimously.
- A motion was made by Mr. James to table a discussion on Staffing Curriculum Budget Items. The motion was seconded by Mr. O'Steen. The motion passed unanimously.
- The SCSC site visit was discussed. The superintendent reported that the updated information has been sent to the SCSC.
- Mr. McLeod will follow through with information on putting the Early/After Care Program money into a 501C3.

**V. Old Business**

- Administration has been meeting to discuss Graduation Requirements and Potential Courses of Study.
- The Corporal Punishment Policy was discussed. A motion was made by Mr. O'Steen to accept the policy. The motion was seconded by Mr. Yu. The motion passed unanimously. The policy will begin during the 2018-2019 school year.

**VI. Open Forum**

- The concern over the communication being made through Social Media was discussed. This communication does not follow the culture of our school.
- Several parents spoke in support of the school and its teachers.

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- Bullying of students was discussed. This student behavior will not be tolerated at GSIC.
- A discussion of how parents should handle issues was held. Parents should report issues in this order: Teacher, Assistant Principal, Principal, Board.
- Lack of parental support on clean up days was discussed. It was decided that the dates for the clean up days will be communicated more.
- The possibility of deferring ninth grade until the 2019-2020 school year was discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the motion to adjourn was made by Mr. O’Steen and seconded by Mr. James. The motion was passed, and the meeting adjourned at 5:54 PM with Peace and Harmony Prevailing.

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Robert Buchwitz, GSIC Board Chair

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