

GOAL DIGITAL ACADEMY

Board of Directors

Special Board Minutes

November 28, 2023

1. Called to Order at 8:01 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Called

Treasurer Earnest called the roll.

Present: Mr Peterson, Mr Nickoli, Mr Hickman, Mrs Curtis, Mr Ute

4. Recognition of Guests

a) Jim Smith – Sponsor Liaison

b) Dave Jones – Mid-Ohio ESC Director of Community Schools

5. Informational Items

A. Sponsor Review – Jim Smith, Sponsor Liaison

1.) Financial

2.) Enrollment – SPED, Student Files, Truancy

3.) Newsletter

4.) Annual Report

B. Sick Leave Bank – 3 Employees Requested

C. FTE November 15, 2022 – 794.41 vs. November 15, 2023 – 773

D. Enrollment Numbers – Froze enrollment for K-10 effective 11/15/23 to maintain DORP status – must be more than 50% when pulled, current numbers as of 11/22/23

Total Enrolled – 931:

DORP 460 students – 49.41%,

Not DORP 471 -50.59%

Need to be over 50% on December 21st

E. DORP Pilot Project – HB123 – Final Payment for FY22 - \$353,155.28

F. Applied for Safety Grant - \$30,000 – New Phone Lines District Wide

Awarded: ARP ESSR - \$873,833

ARP Homeless - \$27,496

Title I - \$285,071

Title I – Non-Competitive - \$66,316

Title IIA - \$38,819

Title IV - \$19,779

IDEA - \$229,286

Expanding Opportunities - \$29,137

Literacy Grant - \$200,000

G. Hosting DORP E-School Attendance Presentation – Wednesday, December 6, 2023

H. Jamie Byrne – Tomorrow Center Director – Internship to become Superintendent

I. SERS Retirement Update

J. Next Board Meeting – Thursday, February 1, 2024 @ 8 a.m.

6. Presentation of Minutes

A. Approved and signed the October 5, 2023 regular board meeting minutes.

Motion by Mr Ute, seconded by Mrs Curtis to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

7. Financial Reports for Review

A. Board reviewed the monthly financials reports (Check Register, Cash Summary) as presented.

B. Board reviewed Budget vs Actual (aka. BVA) report as presented.

C. Credit Card

- # of cards and accounts issued – 2 with Chase Bank (Patricia Jenkins and Stephen J. Earnest) and 2 with Elan Financial Services (Patricia Jenkins and Stephen J. Earnest)
- # of active cards and accounts issued – 4 (Patricia Jenkins (2) and Stephen J. Earnest (2))
- cards/accounts expiration dates – Chase is 11/2023; Elan is 3/2027
- cards/accounts credit limits – Chase = \$7,500 shared; Elan = \$12,000 each

8. Treasurer's Report and Recommendations

A. Approved the Five-Year Forecast (Fall) as requested by the Office of Community Schools.

Motion by Mrs Curtis, seconded by Mr Hickman to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

9. Superintendent's Report and Recommendations

Personnel

A. Accepted the resignation of Misty Ekleberry as presented, effective 11/17/23.

B. Employment Contracts

The following employment contracts be approved (contingent upon proper certification/licensure when required and completed background checks and FTE funding)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Contract</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Current Staff w/Job Changes			
Kaneisha Brooks	SpEd Aide	185 Days (prorated to 133 days)	11/1/23
Full-Time			
Melinda Galleher	Enrollment/EMIS	230 Days (prorated to 127 days)	1/3/2023

Motion by Mr Ute, seconded by Mr Nickoli to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

Operational

A. Approved the October & November Monthly Proof of Residency Verification forms.

B. Approved the Mid-Ohio Title IX Services Agreement as presented.

C. Approved to award diplomas to the following fall graduates upon successful completion of all state and local graduation requirements effective 1/16/2024.

Natalee Ann Adams	Collin James Boales
Zander Oliver Drake	Liberty Rose Lee Marie Dick
Xavier Paul Dunn	Alyssa Rashell Ezell
Tyler Jacob Kimbler	Kilian Michael Finnegan
Caitlin Grace Kohlwey	Kiran Ashlea Kirby
Christopher Shane Steed	Dawniella Marie Molina
Andrew Lucas Ward	Allegra Ni'Kei Ruhl
Alexandrea Faith White	Carson Thomas Douglas
Jasmine Nicole Hughes	Taylor Elaine Mattox
Damien Allen Lude	Darnell Timothy Nathaniel Thompson
Lucas Scott Nichols	Sivon Apollo Engstrom
Olivia Kristine Rockhold	

D. Approved to adopt the following board policies with corrected dates to match meetings:

<u>Policy#</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>New/Revised</u>
1.15	Board of Directors Meetings	Adopted

Motion by Mr Hickman, seconded by Mrs Curtis to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

10. Board President's Report and Recommendations

The board approved a public meeting on the issue of rehiring retirees on February 1, 2024 and approved notice for publication in the newspaper and on the website, as follows:

The GOAL Board of Directors hereby gives public notice in accordance with Section 3309.345 of the Ohio Revised Code that Tish Jenkins, who is currently employed by the GOAL Board of Directors as the Superintendent, will be retiring effective April 30, 2024, and seeking re-employment with the GOAL Board of Directors in the same position following her service retirement effective May 1, 2024.

The Board of Directors will hold a public meeting on the issue of re-employing Tish Jenkins, Superintendent at a meeting to be held on February 1, 2024, at 8:00 am at the GOAL Digital Academy Board room located at 890 West Fourth Street Mansfield, Ohio 44906.

Motion by Mr Nickoli, seconded by Mr Ute to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

11. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs Curtis, seconded by Mr Hickman to accept the recommendation.

Vote: Five Yeas

President Peterson declared the motion passed.

President Peterson declared meeting adjourned at 10 am.

Next meeting to be held on February 1, 2024 @ 8 a.m.

Approved:

2/1/2024
Date

James B. Peterson
President
[Signature]
Treasurer