

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOLDEN DOOR CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2017 AT 5:45 PM IN THE MAIN FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

This meeting has been publicized in accordance with Section 5, Ch 231, PL 1975, Open Public Meeting Law by notification of the Jersey Journal and Hudson Reporter within the legal time required. Time may be allotted for public comment at this meeting

**II. FLAG SALUTE**

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

**III. OUR MISSION**

The Golden Door Charter School was founded on the simple convictions that a first-rate education is the right of every individual, that all children can learn, and that every child should be challenged to reach his or her full potential. The overall goals of the school are to:

- Demonstrate the benefits of academic achievement that public school students can routinely attain when the advantages of charter school governance are coupled with ambitious new academic standards
- Increase the availability of choice to parents and students when selecting a learning environment
- Encourage the use of different and innovative learning methods

**IV. ROLL CALL**

Board Members (voting):

Danielle Downs (President)	<u>Present</u>
Joanne Youmans (Vice President)	<u>Present</u>
Jessica Cappadona	<u>Present</u>
Nick Del'Re	<u>Present</u>
Tonya Keyes	<u>Present</u>

Note: Ms. Keyes arrived late at 6pm.

Additional attendees (non-voting):

Brian Stiles (Chief School Administrator)	<u>Present</u>
Paul Velelis (Business Administrator / Board Secretary)	<u>Present</u>

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**V. PRESENTATION**

- None – Apollo was scheduled to attend but unable to make it until next month.

**VI. MINUTES**

Motion by Ms. Downs and second by Ms. Cappadona to approve the following minutes by unanimous voice vote (4-0):

- Board minutes of **February 15, 2017**

**VII. CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER REPORT**

Chief Academic Officer, Mr. Brian Stiles, reviewed the following items for the Board:

- Report provided and discussed at the meeting.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Board President invited members of the public to present comments to the Board. **Public participation** shall be governed by the following rules: (1) A participant must be recognized by the presiding officer and must preface comments by an announcement of his/her name, place of residence, and group affiliation; (2) Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to three minutes' duration; (3) No participant may speak more than once on the same topic until all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard; (4) All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no participant may address or question Board members individually; (5) The presiding officer may: Interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive or obscene.

- No comments were made.

***The Chief Academic Officer recommends the following resolutions for approval:***



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**IX. FINANCE**

Motion by Ms. Youmans and second by Ms. Cappadona to approve Item A. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5-0).

- A. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **projected FY18 Budget** for submission to the NJDOE.

Note: School Business Administrator provided a Budget Presentation for the Board.

Motion by Ms. Keyes and second by Ms. Downs to approve Items B through E. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5-0).

- B. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **Payroll Report for February 15, 2017** in the amount of \$187,379.94.
- C. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **Payroll Report for February 28, 2017** in the amount of \$187,133.01.
- D. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **Bills List for February 2017** in the amount of \$99,515.25.
- E. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **Bills List for March 1<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> 2017** in the amount of \$145,192.34

Motion by Ms. Youmans and second by Mr. Del'Re to approve Items F and G. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5-0).

- F. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the Board of Trustees's Monthly Certification of Financial Status: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6:23-2.11 (a) 4, the members of Golden Door Charter School Board of Trustees certify that as of **February 28, 2017** after review of the secretary's monthly financial reports (appropriation section) and upon consultation with the appropriate district officials, that to the best of our knowledge, no major account or fund has been over-expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.11(a) 3 and that sufficient funds are available for the remainder of the fiscal school year.
- G. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the Board Secretary's Report and Treasurer's Report: The Golden Door Charter School Board of Trustees accepts the Report of the Secretary and Treasurer's Report which said reports are in agreement for the month ending **February 28, 2017**.

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**XI. PERSONNEL**

Motion by Mr. Del'Re and second by Ms. Cappadona to approve Item A. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (5-0).

- A. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of the following **substitute teachers** to be used on an *as-needed basis* at the rate of \$100 per day:
- Carlo Angelo Gochuico
  - Ashley Hernandez
  - Hillary Madrinan
  - Mary Sassi
  - Kahil Thomas

Motion by Ms. Youmans and second by Ms. Keyes to approve Item B. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (5-0).

- B. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of Toni Ann Mussara as **Leave Replacement for Sixth Grade** from March 22, 2017 through June 30, 2017 at the rate of \$175 per day (Note: Temporary replacement position for Ms. Airey who has resigned effective 3-22-17).

**XII. CURRICULUM**

Motion by Ms. Cappadona and second by Ms. Youmans to approve Item A. Carried by unanimous voice vote (5-0).

- A. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the **new field trip site(s)** as follows:
- a. Imagine That in Florham Park, NJ
  - b. Sports Universe in Livingston, NJ
  - c. Apple Store at the World Trade Center in New York City
  - d. Hershey Corporation in Hershey, PA

**XIII. GOVERNANCE**

Motion by Mr. Del'Re and second by Ms. Youmans to approve Item A. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (5-0).

- A. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve the following **Special Education Policy and Regulation Guides (first reading)** as per attached documents:
- a. Policy Guide #2460 (revised)
  - b. Regulation Guide #2460 (revised)
  - c. Regulation Guide #2460.1 (revised)
  - d. Regulation Guide #2460.8 (revised)



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- e. Regulation Guide #2460.9 (revised)
- f. Regulation Guide #2460.15 (new)
- g. Regulation Guide #2460.16 (no changes)
- h. Policy Guide #2467 (revised)

Motion by Mr. Del'Re and second by Ms. Cappadona to approve Item B. Carried by unanimous roll call vote (5-0).

- B. Resolved that the Board of Trustees approve revision(s) to **Policy #2340 (first reading)** so that field trip submissions must be made by September 30<sup>th</sup> as per attached documents.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Del'Re and second by Ms. Cappadona to adjourn at 7:15 PM. Carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul Velelis  
School Business Administrator/Board Secretary