

HIVE Preparatory School
Thursday, September 27, 2017
Board Meeting
MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Joaquin Novoa, Jenny Maya-Munne, Peter Dedesma, Victor Giorgini

- Meeting was called to order at 10:03AM
- Mr. Gonzalez presented to the board why and how HIVE Prep earned its 7th consecutive “A” grade. He explained that the school earned an increase in proficiency in all subjects overall and an increase in learning gains in all categories and subjects.
 - According to Mr. Gonzalez, HIVE Prep finished in the top 94% of all school and in the top 99% of all Title 1 schools.
 - Mr. Gonzalez announced that HIVE Prep was, once again, accredited as a STEM Accredited (SILVER) School for the 2016-2017. He explained that the reasons for the high grade was the school’s test scores and the in class instructions in STEM. He stated that the need to improve its community partnerships and its completion participation are the reasons that the school did not earn a gold rating.
- Mr. Dedesma announced that Mr. Gonzalez has been awarded as 1 of 3 Middle School Principals of the Year by the Florida TaxWatch. This group selects 9 total principals each year through a formula that identifies high performing schools with difficult situations.
- Updates on Phase II of HIVE Preparatory School
 - Construction for the new building has been approved and permitted and is expected to begin in October. The Board has met with the General Contractor and is beginning to set up the staging areas for the work.
 - A meeting will be held each Monday morning with the Foreman and the GC in order to focus on student safety and the everyday routines of the school; specifically arrival and dismissal.
- Update on Riverside
 - The Board voted, unanimously, to allow the current contract for HIVE-Riverside to expire and to submit a new application this February. The new date to submit applications will allow the school to maintain its High Performing status and to submit a replication application again.
 - Now that they building at HIVE is in progress, the demolition and construction of HIVE Riverside can begin. The expectation is that ground will be broken in January 2018.
- Javier Lopez briefed the board members on the annual report reflecting the FY17 school year.
 - Audit conducted has been concluded and submitted State of Florida.
 - Javier explained that the school finished the year in a positive despite some unexpected expenses such as AC replacements and computer lab remodeling.

- Javier and Mr. Gonzalez presented the Title 1 budget to the board (approved unanimously). The key highlights to this year's budget are new and improved projectors in each classroom and the purchasing of the supplemental program of iReady for math and reading.
- School Recognition Plan: Mr. Gonzalez explained that the A grade will, once again, award the school with money to award the staff. As in the past, the school plans to present an 85% to instructional staff and 15% to non-instructional staff plan.
- Mr. Gonzalez presented and explained a few Out-of-Field Waivers. These teachers are certified teachers that are going to teach in subjects / grade levels that they are not certified to teach in. Mr. Gonzalez explained that in each case the request is due to the school's decision, not because no one else could teach there.
 - Approved OOF Waivers
 - Sergio Bonilla: ESOL
 - Natasha Schmidt: Gifted
 - Cecilia Peralta: ESOL
- Mr. Gonzalez presented to the Board the EESAC Assurances which describe the role of the school's EESAC and its plans with this year's School Improvement Plan.
- Meeting was adjourned at 11:37 am

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