HIVE Preparatory School
Thursday: March 17, 2022
Board Meeting
MINUTES

Board Members Present: Peter Dedesma, Jenny Maya-Munne, Victor Giorgini, Javier Lopez
Meeting Location: HIVE Preparatory School Cafetorium
Meeting called to order at 10:00 am

Prior Board Minutes reviewed and approved.

COVID Policies & Procedures:
- The school has relaxed its COVID safety measure to align with the local school district and local health department recommendations.
  - We have seen a significant reduction in cases and symptoms at the school.
  - We have returned to “normal” with extracurricular activities, clubs, field trips, etc.
  - Mr. Dedesma recommended that all extracurricular activities use a document to confirm that parents are aware of the changes and potential risk.

IBB / Global Church Bathroom
- We have engaged a new contractor, TEAM Contracting, to provide a proposal for the bathroom project. As of today, only one contractor has provided a bid.
- Bridgerock is working with a 3rd contractor to continue adding proposals.

State Assessments
- The mid-year data continues to show a trend of improvement from the beginning of the school year across all grade levels except for 5th grade ELA. The 5th grade ELA teacher resigned from her position after a couple of meetings with admin that were focused on adjusting the core curriculum as well as increasing small group/tutoring. The reading coach has been assigned the 5th grade ELA position and the adjustments have all been made.
- Despite the improvements, the school’s data still shows the learning loss that it experienced as a result of the COVID shutdown of 2020 and hybrid options of 2021. Not only are the students behind academically, they are still exhibiting fatigue and immaturity that has not been seen in many years.
The adjustments that the school is making is to decrease the number of students within small groups (thus increasing the number of small groups) so that more attention can be provided to individual students.

2022-2023 New Student Applications / Enrollment

- We received a similar number of new student applications as we have in the past.
- 100 kindergarten students have been offered and have accepted spots for the new school year.
- About another 20 positions have been offered in other grade levels due to siblings and/or current students not returning.

HIVE Prep – Riverside

- Due to the many factors, the potential temporary site in Allapattah did not work out.
- Mr. Gonzalez explained that the next step is to re-write a charter and submit to the district as soon as possible. This will provide us with more time to construct the building.
- The master permit has been approved to be pulled by the City. This means that construction on the site is approved to move forward. With construction prices the way they are, the school decided to continue pricing with GC’s.

PE Field Issues

- The artificial turf surrounding our PE field is concerning the school staff. As a result, the school has engaged companies to explore its options. In addition, the school is looking into why this happened and how to avoid it in the future.

Budget/Finances

- Javier presented the most recent budget figures. The school is operating within its expected operating budget. Income sources have been as projected, except for the reimbursements of the grants provided by the federal government. Over 500K of allowable expenditures have not been reimbursed despite most of them being submitted many months ago.
- Mr. Gonzalez presented the end of year projections (including stipends, bonuses, and raises for FY23). Board approved unanimously.
Meeting Adjourned at 6:22 pm

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The minutes were adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting held on Dec 9, 2021.
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