



Hawthorn Board of Directors Meeting
11/29/21; 5:00 - 6:30 PM
1901 N. Kingshighway Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63113
In person and by Zoom

Board Members Present: Kathryn Love (Chair), Liz Buchman, Matt Coen, Rachna Creeth, Hal Davies, Mil Galvin, Angell Jackson, Alex Pearson, Liesl Schnuck, Mary Stillman

Hawthorn Staff Present: Daphne Robinson, Alisa Bennett-Hart

Others Present: Anne Schaffa, Claire Byrne, Rose Windmiller, Nikki Doughty, Lori Sommers, Steffani Lautenschlager

The meeting was called to order at 5:08 p.m.

Board meeting opened with a Mission Moment featuring student Coumba Frango, who is the winner of the Presidential Scholarship for Harris Stowe. She is one of the first to receive college acceptance and scholarship awards for the 2022 graduating class.

The consent agenda was moved, seconded and approved unanimously.

Hal Davies and Anne Shaffa gave the Finance Committee Report. The focus was on what has been forecasted as well as the expenditures. A draft from the auditor is forthcoming. The Board accepted the finance report.

Daphne Robinson and Mildred Galvin gave the Head of School Report. They shared and provided an update on Daphne's goals: Enrollment, Budget, Retention, Math Scores and Staffing. . Additional focus was on improving student attendance. Transportation solutions discussed including potential use of cabs. Tutoring program report given by Alisa Bennett-Hart.

Sara Goellner, Alex Pearson, and Matt Coen gave an Enrollment and Retention Report. Significant attention was given to aligning the Strategic Plan with specific enrollment and retention goals. Matt Coen presented a Flywheel concept directed at retaining students. Daphne Robinson mentioned several

ideas centered on orientation, transportation, parent engagement and resource fairs. Alex Pearson solicited board participation on creating a small team to develop SMART enrollment goals. The Board then approved a motion by following roll call vote to enter Closed Session to discuss legal (§ 610.021(1) RSMo.) and personnel (§ 610.021(3) and (13) RSMo.) matters.

Liz Buchman – aye
Matt Coen – aye
Rachna Creeth - aye
Hal Davies – aye
Mil Galvin – aye
Edes Gilbert – aye
Angell Jackson – aye
Kathryn Love – aye
Alex Pearson – aye
Liesl Schnuck – aye
Mary Stillman – aye

A resolution to exit the Closed Session was approved by the following roll call vote:

Liz Buchman – aye
Matt Coen – aye
Hal Davies – aye
Mil Galvin – aye
Kathryn Love – aye
Alex Pearson – aye
Liesl Schnuck – aye
Mary Stillman – aye

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:55PM