

Chair John Ingold started the meeting with a quorum at 7:00pm.

Welcome and Approval of Minutes – 7:00 – 7:05

- Approval of Minutes from October Meeting
 - Motion to approve: John
 - Second: Kim
 - Unanimously approved

School Quality Report – 7:05 – 7:57

- Tier 1; highlights:
 - highest percent of GED grads among peer institutions
 - college credit-bearing opportunities in our PMF profile
 - Charter goals v PMF = continuing to focus on EFLs and attendance
 - Messaging/leveraging:
 - Celebration – promo materials (signage? Swag?); staff recognition
 - Recruitment – student voice?
 - Fundraising

Board Members:

- John Ingold (Chair)
- Celine Fejeran (Vice Chair)
- Carlyle Schrouter (Treasurer)
- Steve Cartwright (Secretary)
- Hikma Yasin (Student Rep)
- Misael Berrios (Student Rep)
- Eleonor Velasquez
- Kim R Ford
- Shawn Richardson
- Sahira Fernandez (Staff Rep)
- Michael Cuellar (Staff Rep)

Staff:

- Jonathan Mathis (Executive Director)
- Taunya Melvin
- Juan Carlos
- Brandi Shelton

Charter Amendment – 7:57 – 8:35

- **Enrollment age range and early college = increase enrollment and support continued success for continuing students/alumni**
 - Considerations – gaged via staff surveys:
 - Age band and maturity levels
 - Up to 30 year olds – night program only?
 - Incorporate early college
 - Re-engage ELL alumni who have not yet accessed Post-sec successfully
- **Board Decision**
 - Motion to increase upper age limit to 30 for
 - Motion: Celine
 - Second: Sahira
 - Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion to pursue amendment to TNS charter
 - Motion: Sahira
 - Second: Shawn
 - Vote: Unanimous

Annual Funds Bank Account Establishment – 8:35 – 8:46

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- Support for creation of separate bank account for the 3 Annual Funds to properly manage/track/report these private dollars
 - Impact on sector
 - Staff/Leadership
 - Impact on students – post sec, career
 - Impact on future funds, scholarships, resources
- **Board Decision**
 - Motion to approve the creation of “Student Leadership Ambassador Fund.”
 - Motion: Kim
 - Second: Michael
 - Vote: Unanimous
 - Motion to approve creation of an account entitled “TNS Annual Funds”
 - Motion: Shawn
 - Second: Sahira
 - Vote: Unanimous

Other New Business

- \$440K Philanthropic asks out:
 - Greater Washington Community Foundation - \$50K Fund for Children Youth and Families
 - PS tuition expense
 - College exposure (college fairs, road trip, etc)
 - PD institute for writing & thinking (with Bard College)
 - Cafritz – Individual Life Plans (match from City Bridge Foundation)
 - Saturday Lab
 - Early College
 - PD Positive Youth Development
 - Calder
 - 5 year projection – Best practices, professional competencies and pathways

Adjournment

Kim motioned to adjourn and Shawn seconded at 8:57pm.