

Global Concepts Charter School
Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting
April 26, 2017 – 7:00 P.M.
Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Global Concepts Charter School was held at the Global Concepts Charter High School, Ruben Santiago-Hudson Fine Arts Center, 168 Roland Avenue, Lackawanna, New York 14218, and called to order by Dawan Jones at 7:01 p.m.

Note: The April 26, 2017 Board meeting includes March 2017 Operations, Finances, and Personnel. The March 2017 Board meeting was cancelled due to a snow storm

A quorum was established by roll call:

Present: Dawan Jones, Antonio Estrada, Suzie Mazella, Anthony DeMarco, William Kruger

Excused:

Absent:

Other Attendees: Tracy McGee, CEO
Liz Mastromatteo, Acting High School Principal
John Turner, Acting K-8 Principal
Lynda Spahr, Board Clerk

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

New Business

Principals' Reports

Liz Mastromatteo, Acting High School Principal, announced that they have a list of all seniors who have been accepted at college. We have every senior accepted to at least one college. They have currently received \$233,500.00 in scholarships.

The Taste of Global was on Friday, April 21st. It was a successful event.

We held the first trade fair on April 20th.

We had representatives from fire protection services and Emergency Medical Technicians, veterinary technicians, auto mechanics, computer and electronic technicians, and cosmetology, among others. It was a very successful event that we hope to expand upon in the coming years. Juniors and seniors came to learn about different trades, different trade program and training options, in addition to going to college.

We have hired a Spanish Teacher as well as a long term School Counselor.

We are currently getting ready for the Prom on May 12 and Graduation on June 24.

That concludes my report.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the High School Principal's Report as presented. Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Jack Turner, K-8 Principal, started his report with a very successful lottery. As of March 31st we had 323 applications for the K-8 program. We have tried to respond to transportation concerns by taking to Lackawanna Bus Application forms to Lackawanna that include a manifest with each child's name and additional information. If there is any question we can prove it was submitted on time. This will be productive in September when we have transportation issues.

K-8 New York State ELA is completed. NYS Math tests are being administered May 2-4. The NYSESLAT speaking portions are complete, and the listening, reading and writing portions are scheduled May 8-19.

The NYS Grades 4 and 8 Science performance test will be May 24-June 2. The written Science test is June 5th.

We have filled out our staff by hiring a Physical Education/Health Teacher.

ENL Cultural Night was March 9th. We had excellent attendance and met New York State requirements and built up our community. Our District Band concert was held on March 16th. The 8th grade Signing Dinner took place on March 23rd. The National Honor Society inducted new members on March 22nd. They held our second Scholastic Book Fair. Our Family and Science night took place during the Book Fair.

The BEAM Club (Buffalo Engineering Awareness for Minorities) is meeting during April and May. There are also many field trips scheduled in May.

This concludes my report.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the K-8 Principal's Report as presented. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Item #2 – Secretary's Report

William Kruger presented the Secretary's report referring to various correspondence that all Board members received in their monthly packets for review. Suzie Mazella made a motion to accept the Secretary's report as presented. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Item #3 – Treasurer's Report

Suzie Mazella presented the Treasurer's report for the period ending March 31, 2017 referring to the information included in the Board packet, including current assets, property, various cash accounts, accounts receivable, and bonds payable. Antonio Estrada made a motion to receive the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Item #4 – Regular Meeting Minutes for February 22, 2017

Suzie Mazella made a motion to accept the Board minutes for the regular monthly meeting dated February 25, 2017. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Estrada	Yes
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Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Operations

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve the 2017-2018 tentative school year calendar as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Microsoft licenses subscription renewals for one year, school-wide, in the amount not to exceed \$2,700.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve E-Doctrina, curriculum program renewal in the amount not to exceed \$5,138.52, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Property Accents for grounds maintenance for the 2017 landscaping season at 1001 Ridge Road, 30 Johnson Street, and 168 Roland Street, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the School Grant Match of \$3,000.00 from Arts Partners for Learning managed by Young Audiences, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. The cost to Global Concepts Charter School is \$500.00. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Personnel

Anthony DeMarco made a motion to accept the following resignations as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- Christian Ambrosioni – HS Spanish Teacher – effective March 12, 2017
- Ann Marie Turner – K-8 Physical Education Teacher – effective March 2, 2017
- Robin Nellis – District Data Coordinator – effective April 7, 2017

Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Anthony DeMarco made a motion for the emergency conditional appointment of the following pending satisfactory background, drug test and fingerprint clearance, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- Meaghan Tederous – High School Substitute Teacher – effective April 6, 2017
- Kathryne Rapp – High School Long Term Counselor Substitute – effective April 6, 2017
After 30 days move to step M1.
- Claudia Diaz – Long Term Substitute HS Spanish Teacher – effective April 27, 2017
- Nicole Polino – full time K-8 Physical Ed/Health Teacher – effective April 27, 2017

Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Anthony DeMarco made a motion to appoint the following to the Committee on Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment (CIA), as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- Bryan Whitley-Grassi, Chairman
- Mary Schroeder
- Dawn Cich
- Jared Greer
- Ashley Joyce
- Jennifer Peasland
- Kelly Pompo
- Sean Petro
- Jennifer Payne

Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Vendors

Suzie Mazella made a motion to approve the following new vendors as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- Protech Projection – Grade 3 document camera
- Buffalo Naval Park – High School Rho Kappa admissions
- Theodore Roosevelt Inauguration Site – High School Rho Kappa admissions
- Buffalo History Museum – High School Rho Kappa local history day
- Sewingparts online.com – Middle School Home and Careers classroom

Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Suzie Mazella made a motion to approve new vendor Gene Alexander Peters for a rare artifacts display at the Fine Arts Center in the amount not to exceed \$1,548.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Suzie Mazella made a motion to approve Kirisits & Associates for January billing in the amount not to exceed \$2,325.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Suzie Mazella made a motion to approve Kirisits & Associates for February billing in the amount not to exceed \$2,360.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada and Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Suzie Mazella made a motion to approve Lumsden McCormick for professional services in the amount not to exceed \$1,000.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Anthony DeMarco. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Harter Secrest & Emery for labor relation services in the amount not to exceed \$24,730.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Hodgson Russ LLP for professional services in the amount not to exceed \$1,260.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes

Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Premcom for two (2) projectors and installation for the Middle School in the amount not to exceed \$2,237.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Follett for the K-8 library budget in the amount not to exceed \$2,960.95, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Ilio DiPaolo's Restaurant for the Winter Sports Banquet in the amount not to exceed \$1,654.74 from the Athletic fund, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve Schaller Group for telephones at the Administrative building, 1159 Abbott Road, in the amount not to exceed \$2,834.00, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Suzie Mazella. Motion roll call as follows.

Mr. Estrada	Yes
Ms. Mazella	Yes
Mr. DeMarco	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Public Participation

Questions from the public were heard and answered.

Adjourn

Suzie Mazella made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Submitted by

Lynda Spahr, Clerk for GCCS Board of Trustees

Approved by

William Kruger, Secretary