

Global Concepts Charter School
Monthly Board of Trustees Meeting
September 26, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
Minutes

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Global Concepts Charter School was held at Global Concepts Charter School, 1001 Ridge Road, Lackawanna, New York 14218, and called to order by Dawan Jones by at 7:02 p.m.

A quorum was established by roll call:

Present: Dawan Jones, Antonio Estrada, William Kruger

Excused: Suzie Mazella, Anthony DeMarco

Absent:

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

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

New Business

Principals' Reports

Liz Mastromatteo, High School Principal, stated that we will continue to enroll new students. We will be full in grades 9, 10, 11, 1st 12. We have a waiting list for all four grades. We are planning for our Open House/Curriculum Night for September 27th.

We have successfully hires a new Global Studies Teacher and are searching for a new Physical Education Teacher. We are currently interviewing for substitute teachers.

Our seniors will take the ASVAB tests on Thursday, September 27th.

We had a successful start to the fall sports. Both volleyball and soccer are up and running. Students are happy with how the program is running.

Schedule changes and student credit checks are currently underway.

This concludes my report.

Jack Turner, K-8 Principal, started with successful hiring this summer. We are currently hiring substitutes.

Safe and Civil School: The Foundation Team implemented a Common Area Expectation Handbook, and traffic patterns for the flow in school.

Enrollment is currently at 99%.

Next Gen Science Standards: Dr. Mike Jabot met with the K-6 Science Teachers to deconstruct and map new standards as well as identifying new resources for effective instruction.

We have ongoing professional development with Readers and Writers Workshop being implemented in house. Our Middle School Math Co-teachers are providing Professional Development at a conference at Buffalo State College.

Transportation: One additional bus was provided by Lackawanna. Lackawanna bussing is running much better than this time last year.

#whatfitsyou Project: Public Art Installations are in display in K-12 buildings. All K-12 students are involved and this is promoted on Facebook.

This concludes my report.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the Principals' Reports as presented. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	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. Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the Secretary's report as presented. Motion seconded by Dawan Jones. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Item #3 – Treasurer’s Report

Dawan Jones made a motion to receive and file the Treasurer’s report received in the Board packets. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Item #4 – Regular Meeting Minutes dated August 22, 2018

Antonio Estrada made a motion to accept the Board minutes for the regular monthly meeting, dated August 22, 2018. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Operations:

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve eDoctrina Accountability Suite in the amount not to exceed \$3,792.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to create the positions of Assistant Principals as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Personnel:

William Kruger made a motion to accept the following resignation as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- John Graham – HS Social Studies – effective September 14, 2018

- David Estrada – HR Intern – effective August 23, 2018
- Rachelle Matthys – HS Physical Ed – effective September 26, 2018

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve the emergency conditional appointment of the following, pending satisfactory background, drug test, and fingerprint clearance, as recommended by CEO and Chairman:

- Dannie Morman – HS Cleaner – effective September 4, 2018
- Alexander Hury, Jr. – K-8 Sub – effective September 4, 2018
- Heather Gulas-Karaszewski – K-8 Floating Teacher – effective September 4, 2018
- Tiffany White – K-8 Floating Teacher – effective October 1, 2018
- Chelsea Krajewski – 6th Grade Reading Teacher – effective September 4, 2018
- Michael Kubera – K-8 Physical Education/Health – effective September 4, 2018
- Kaylee Seitz – K-8 Sub – effective September 10, 2018
- Charlene Cook – K-8 Sub – effective September 7, 2018
- Marcia Ross – K-8 Sub – effective September 10, 2018
- Tamara Goodman-Hoelscher – K-8 School Nurse – effective September 7, 2018
- Marcia Ross – K-8 Sub – effective September 10, 2018
- Sommer Pacana – HS Social Studies – effective September 18, 2018
- Nicole Schiske – K-8 ENL Long Term Sub – effective date TBD
- Bailey Tryon – K-8 ENL Long Term Sub – effective date TBD

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve the following position changes as recommended by the CEO and Chairman:

- Debra Daniels – from Part Time Sub to Full Time K-8 Library Media Specialist – effective August 20, 2018
- James Burchalewski – from Part Time Sub to Full Time HS Literacy Specialist – effective August 20, 2018
- Kelly Lewis – from Part Time Sub to Full Time HS Floating Teacher – effective August 20, 2018

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

William Kruger made a motion to approve the following resolution:

The Global Concepts Charter School Board of Trustees, having conducted a thorough criminal history record check via fingerprinting which is deemed acceptable by NYSED, and having discovered no State or Federal criminal history, or having provided information regarding such history to NYSED, if found and having verified that any academic and or professional credential or qualification presented by the proposed member is genuine, has voted to select DANIEL WILCZEWSKI as a member to its Board of Trustees, with a term expiring on September 26, 2021, pending approval by the NYSED. The resolution approving Daniel Wilczewski is adopted upon NYSED's approval.

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Dawan Jones introduced Daniel Wilczewski and noted that this is a testament to what Global Concepts Charter School stands for, and what we do, the natural progression. We like our students to become leaders of tomorrow. Daniel is a former student of Global Concepts Charter School who started at Global Concepts in second grade. The full transition for him is to go from second grade to graduating from Global Concepts High School, and on to college at UB where he is a senior majoring in engineering, and then back to serve on the Board of his alma mater. What a great accomplishment. We look forward to seeing our students in this audience do the same. It gives us great joy and pride to see this happen.

William Kruger made a motion to appoint Jason Jackson and Patrick Quinn to Assistant Principal positions at the K-8 building as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by Antonio Estrada. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Vendors:

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

- Anne Gaca – Professional Development, August 22, 2018
- Anne Henry – Professional Development, August 22, 2018
- Black Association of Black Journalists – Program booklet cover ad
- NYSBDA (NYS Band Directors Association) – Membership

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

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve new vendor Guitarstorage.com for instrument storage rack in the amount not to exceed \$1,061.00 from Gala funds, as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Eaton Office Supply for new HS Culinary Program supplies in the amount not to exceed \$1,831.76 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Nasco for new HS Culinary Program supplies in the amount not to exceed \$1,986.75 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Eaton Office Supply for K-8 copy paper in the amount not to exceed \$1,159.60 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
Mr. Estrada	Yes
Mr. Kruger	Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Twin Village Music for instrument cleaning/repairs in the amount not to exceed \$1,875.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones	Yes
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Mr. Estrada Yes
Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Twin Village Music for a new HS band instrument in the amount not to exceed \$2,847.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones Yes
Mr. Estrada Yes
Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Wild Spirit Creations for a High School gym mural in the amount not to exceed \$4,200.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones Yes
Mr. Estrada Yes
Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Kirisits & Associates for July and August billing in the amount not to exceed \$10,795.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones Yes
Mr. Estrada Yes
Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

Antonio Estrada made a motion to approve Harter Secrest & Emery for legal services rendered through June 30, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$3,388.00 as recommended by the CEO and Chairman. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion roll call as follows:

Mr. Jones Yes
Mr. Estrada Yes
Mr. Kruger Yes

Motion passed.

Additional Information

September K-8 Student of the Month Awards – presented by Jack Turner, Principal

Grade 1, nominated by Ms. Brown – Matthew Mills

Grade 2, nominated by Ms. Huber – Ahmed Dhalai
Grade 3, nominated by Ms. Dorward – Almamoon Ahmed
Grade 4, nominated by Mrs. Amann – Edeliz Correa
Grade 5, nominated by Mrs. Mullen – Dayna Durmaj
Middle School Science, nominated by Ms. Wisniewski – Makayla Rice
Home and Careers, nominated by Mrs. A. Urbank – Makayla Rice
Health, nominated by Mr. Mondello – Saida Hassan
Art, nominated by Ms. Kempf – Moheeb Furwan
Music/Ensemble, nominated by Ms. LaBounty – Brayden Claroni-Breen
Library, nominate by Ms. Daniels – Nayonna Howell
Spanish, nominated by Ms. Gaeta – Alyssa Hagelberger
Arabic, nominated by Mrs. Khoury – Mustafa Ahmed
Counselor, nominated by Ms. Prise – Edeliz Correa
ENL, nominated by Mrs. Meegan – Rasha Abdulkawi

Public Participation

Questions from the public were heard and answered.

Adjourn

Antonio Estrada made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by William Kruger. Motion passed by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Submitted by

Lynda Spahr, Clerk for GCCS Board of Trustees

Approved by

William Kruger, Secretary