

## 1. Call To Order OCTOBER 25, 2022

Expected to be in attendance: Suzanne Robinson, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Christopher Hinds, Jan MacWatters, Vijay Prathap, and Dr. Allen Brown. The following staff is expected to be in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, Kim Hodges, Sandy Worcester, Taryn Wellington, and Kristi Lee.

Notes: In attendance: Suzanne Robinson, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Christopher Hinds, Jan MacWatters, Vijay Prathap, and Dr. Allen Brown. The following staff was in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Taryn Wellington, and Kristi Lee.

The meeting was called to order by Suzanne Robinson at 6:34 pm, and a quorum was present.

## 2. Public Comments

Speakers will be allocated 2 minutes for public comments on matters of public concern.

There were no public speakers other than the Mascot Committee, which is listed on the agenda below. The Mascot Committee was moved to the beginning of the meeting. Emma Pattillo, a 5th grader at Goodwater, presented the process and results of the committee's purpose to identify a mascot. The mascot that the school body voted in is the dolphin.

## 3. Consent Agenda

Chris Hinds asked to pull the Special Programs Report and the Enrollment Report. Suzanne Robinson asked to pull the minutes from the September 20 meeting and Dr. Allen Brown asked to pull the minutes from the October 3 meeting.

After discussing the pulled reports and minutes, Chris Hinds moved to accept the Consent Agenda with the changes to the minutes, and Jan MacWatters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### a. Financial Report

### b. Enrollment Report

Chris Hinds asked why our 6th-grade enrollment numbers are low. Dr. Bruce Tabor answered that that is a grade when people often change because they are looking to join sports and other electives that big ISD schools offer. He also mentioned that our Upper EI level had been unsettled, and that could contribute as well. He added that this year we have departmentalized this level and are expecting that decision to make a difference in settling and stabilization.

### c. Special Programs Report

Chris Hinds asked how we are making up the minutes that we are lacking and why we are so behind on minutes. Taryn Wellington answered that we started the year needing another Special Education assistant and that one resigned shortly after the school year started. We did not have the staff to cover the

needed minutes. Moving forward, we have more staff, and we have a plan in place to make up the minutes.

- d. Student Academic Update
- e. Facilities Report
- f. Curriculum and Instruction Report
- g. Contracts and Agreements
- h. Minutes from September 20, 2022 and October 3, 2022

Dr. Allen Brown found a mistake in the date for our next meeting in the October 3 minutes.

Suzanne Robinson asked for a change in the minutes from September 20 to reflect that "Chris Hinds moved to vote on Allen Brown and Vijay Prathap as new board members and delay bringing new board members on after today until the processes have been adopted. Jan MacWatters seconded the motion, and it passed 3/4." The part that was added by Suzanne Robinson's request is "and delay bringing new board members on after today until the processes have been adopted."

- i. Covid and Health Report
- #### 4. Discussion and Action Items

- a. Superintendent/CEO Report

Dr. Bruce Tabor began the Superintendent/ CEO report by discussing the fencing that has been added to the school, one gate on the west side has been removed, and we plan to add a gate from our school to the reunification site. All gates on campus are kept locked while students are on campus. He proposed a camera upgrade by Verkada, sited continued staff training on safety, and updated the staff on our locked door logs and visitor check in process. Dr. Bruce told about the new School Safety page on our website.

Dr. Bruce talked about enrollment being 412, and average daily attendance was at 93.3%. Dr. Bruce Tabor mentions that Kim Hodges is doing an excellent job keeping up with enrollment and enrolling new students. We have repairs on the girls' bathroom upstairs with possible water damage. Last week we had a rain leak in Brazos that displaced the community to the library for 3 1/2 days.

Our Region 13 strategic plan will be presented in January to the board.

Accelerated learning logs are being updated, and the dashboard is coming soon to tell more specifics about Goodwater student learning.

We have three grants in the works, and guides have parent/teacher conferences this week, ending on Monday, October 31.

On "Coffee with Dr. Bruce" zoom this month, November 16, Roberta Givens will co-host about assessments and student achievement. Dr. Bruce Tabor reports that Sandy Worcester is doing a great job holding Child Study meetings.

- b. Development, Fundraising Update

Our Fall Fundraiser is at \$13,900 reported by Alicia Olivieri. Suzanne Robinson mentioned grants, the grant committee, and foundation grants. Three grants have been submitted. A survey has been created and will be sent this week to ask staff members what projects they would like to see happen and what resources they would need for each project.

Chris Hinds asked how many fundraisers we will do this year, mentioning in the past, we did one a year. Alicia Olivieri answered, three. Then a conversation occurred about tax-free days, PTO fundraising, and possible limits on how many we can hold a year.

Kimber Fuccello voiced concerns that the money raised is not allocated for the general fund. Alicia Olivieri and Suzanne Robinson said 50% of the money had been allocated for the playground and the other 50% had not been allocated.

c. Chris Hinds, Marketing Committee Chair

Chris Hinds presented the Brand Strategies Standards and Practices plan.

This was developed by the Marketing Committee and written by Chris Hinds. It presents the school with a cohesive message. The plan involves approved school colors, fonts, logos, types of photos, and promotional words.

d. Committee Discussion

Required and nonrequired committees were brought up by Suzanne Robinson. The board agreed that each committee would update the board periodically. We are adding the Fundraising Committee, The Governance Committee, the Threat Assessment Committee, and the Library Committee to the list. A board member was added to each committee. Some committees are internal and not published.

e. Montessori Assessment

Suzanne Robinson presents a rubric approved by NCMPS, AMI, and AMS to assess the Montessori essential elements in a school. The board discussed the rubric and will ask the School Improvement Committee to work on the rubric to customize it for Goodwater.

f. PTO Update

g. Mascot Committee Update, guest speakers

Noted above.

h. Governance

Dr. Allen Brown and Mary Evelyn Bowling started a discussion about school policies. Dr. Allen Brown presented that the Texas Association of School Boards has a service that helps schools with their policies. The first step is identifying major categories. He said we need to organize and index our policies and offered to spearhead this effort. The board members and Dr. Bruce Tabor were agreeable to Dr. Allen Brown heading up this project.

Dr. Allen Brown and Mary Evelyn Bowling presented the Board Nominating Policies. Chris Hinds complimented them, and the board members agreed it was a good process. Suzanne Robinson asked about disqualifying criteria. The board discussed the role of the nominating committee and what the screening questions will be. They discussed requirements and the development of interview questions.

Dr. Allen Brown presented Board and Superintendent Protocols.

Chris Hinds moved to accept the Board and Superintendent Protocols as presented. Vijay Prathap seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## 5. Closed Session

Per Texas Government Code section §551.074 to discuss Personnel matters and/or Per Texas Government Code section §551.071 for a consultation with the school attorney and/or Per Texas Government Code section 551.072 to discuss Real Property.

Chris Hinds moved to go into a closed session at 8:55 pm. Dr. Allen Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Chris Hinds moved to end the closed session at 9:21 pm. Jan MacWatters seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## 6. Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting

### 7. Adjourn

Chris Hinds moved to adjourn at 9:21 pm. Dr. Allen Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.