



Goodwater Board Meeting Agenda: Sep 24, 2024 6:30pm - 8:00pm

1. Call To Order

Expected to be in attendance: Dr. Allen Brown, Kandace Ayala, Lydia Hancock and Dr. Andy Attaway. The following staff members are expected to be in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Beverly Al-Tabatabaie, Marcy Steward, and Kindra Mitchell-Dorsey.

Dr. Allen Brown calls to order at time 6:32pm: People in attendance: Dr. Allen Brown, Kandace Ayala, Lydia Hancock and Dr. Andy Attaway, Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, Kristi Felty, Kim Hodges, Aaron Ball, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kimber Fuccello, and Kindra Mitchell-Dorsey.

2. Public Comments

Speakers will be allocated 2 minutes for public comments on matters of public concern. Marcy S. - Goodwater has partnered with National Center of Montessori in the Public Sector. Working on getting more Montessori training for guides, assistants, and subs. The National Center of Montessori in the Public Sector can provide a membership and training for guides - 12hr course, 4 different sessions (individual work, discussion session). On demand course: Montessori fundamentals for everyone - 9hrs - includes customized leadership support. Goal is to allow everyone access to Montessori training. All assistants that don't have this training will get the training. Leadership will send out email to parents informing them of this partnership

3. Consent Agenda

Dr. Attaway moves to approve and Ms. Ayala seconded. Passed 4-0.

a. Enrollment Report

Waitlist is low, enrollment down.
Working on retention of students.

b. Special Programs Report

Special programs population is growing with greater needs than past years.

c. Student Academic Update

Testing starts in PreK4. Assessments are on the CLIA platform: free and approved by TEA. Data is reported to the state. Texas kindergarten entry assessment determines early reading inventory.

September 18, 2024 school improvement plan was reviewed. A financial component was added to the plan. Assessment procedures and instruments were reviewed.

d. Curriculum and Instruction Report

e. Principal Report

f. Contracts and Agreements

Contracts for Review

g. Minutes from August 27, 2024

4. Discussion and/or Action Items

a. Review Board Meeting Protocol

For information: contact the board president.

b. Superintendent/CEO Report

Introduction of Aaron Ball, the new director of special programs.

Numbers: 55-56 active SPED students - 8 speech, the rest are inclusion. Working on self-assessment for TEA. Streamlining the process and educating the guides and aids on SPED law. Contracting with contractors for evaluation support.

i. School Improvement

Big priority:

- Safety: 3yr audit. GW is required to have an emergency team. Met on Sept. 26 to establish team.
- Academics: Results from the STAAR assessment are delayed until litigation. The state gives an A-F rating. Dr. Bruce explained the scoring for the assessment.
- Sustain ED: consulting firm teaches how to conduct observations and walkthroughs.
- Supporting guides with integrating Montessori with new curriculum.
- Multi-tiered system support: additional support for 3rd grade students (RTI accelerated support).

Consultants have extensive knowledge of Montessori and public school requirements. GW is working on integrating the Montessori instruction with the new curriculum so that students can succeed and perform at higher levels.

ii. Marketing Update

In communication with marketing firms to assist with working on retention and getting more students enrolled at GW.

-Establishing brand identification.

c. Financial Reports

Kimber Fuccello presented 2023/2024 financial report: Preliminary data. Final audit in January 2025.

d. Professional Development Waivers for 24-25 School Year

Resolution to approve the staff development days-up to 2100 minutes. Kim will file resolution waiver for the state to waive the 2100 minutes. Dr. Brown moves to approve and Kandace seconded. Motion has been approved 5-0.

e. Board Members: Adding an Additional Member to Board of Directors

Dr. Brown moved to approve Mary Evelyn Bowling as member to the Board and Kandace seconded. Motion has been approved 4-0. Mary Evelyn Bowling was voted to the Board of Directors at 7:06pm.

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. Went into closed session at 6:49pm and returned from closed session at 7:06pm.

6. Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting

Monday, November 4, 2024.

7. Adjourn

Dr. Attaway moved to adjourn and Dr. Brown seconded. Motion has been approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.