

GPISD Education Foundation
Board Meeting Minutes
September 20, 2021

Meeting called to order by President Mary Dominguez-Santini at 11:40 a.m.

Members Present: Mary Dominguez-Santini, Bernie Ponzio (by phone), Karla Chandler, Denise Clifton, Lesta Watson, David Awe, Heather Anderson, Tara Dyer, Angela Giessner, Kaye Gilbert, Samantha Morrow, and District Liaison, Loraine Morazzano

Guest Speaker: Mary greeted the group and introduced the guest speaker, Lindsay Reeves from the GPISD Nature Center. She gave a presentation regarding field trips to Dogwood Canyon and Trinity River Audubon. The program cost is currently \$12 per student, including \$4 for bus transportation. There is a maximum of 50 students on each facility currently. Onsite presentations are also available with a 10% discount with animals. Ms. Reeves will forward more information regarding student enrollment. She also reported on new additions and remodeling taking place at the Nature Center.

Minutes Approval: Motion made by Lesta Watson to approve the April 2021 minutes as presented, seconded by Denise Clifton. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Heather Anderson (sent by email) presented the following:

- Investment Account \$816,734.09
- Checking Account \$40,269.67
- Available Balance \$22,000.44

MOTION: Motion made by Tara Dyer to accept Financial Report as presented, seconded by Lesta Watson. Motion passed.

MOTION: Motion made by David Awe to approve the Proposed Budget for 2021-2022 as presented, seconded by Samantha Morrow. Motion passed.

Financial Statements: David Awe presented and discussed the Financial Reports through June 30, 2021. Motion made by Lesta Watson to accept the Financial Report as presented, seconded by Heather Anderson. Motion passed.

Board discussion and committee reports

The Golf Tournament Report was given by Samantha Morrow. Plans are going well but we need more volunteers.

MOTION: Motion made by Karla Chandler to donate \$350 to Santa Cop in order for them to bring the ball launcher to the golf tournament, seconded by Denise Clifton. Motion passed.

Karla Chandler gave a brief update on teacher grants.

There was no scholarship report.

Open Discussion:

GPISD Education Day at Main Event will be November 17

We will provide snacks for the Principals Meeting at Reed Center on September 22, 2021, in lieu of the Breakfast this year. A short greeting from the Education Foundation will be presented.

Denise Clifton proposed eliminating “quorum” from the Bylaws due to the increasingly difficult time achieving it at meetings. She will re-word the section and present it to the Executive Board to review and approve before bringing it back to the full board.

There was also discussion regarding attendance at meetings, Zoom vs. in person meetings and what is the best time to hold meetings.

Meeting adjourned by Mary Dominguez-Santini at 1:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karla Chandler, Acting Secretary