

TIMA Governing Board Meeting Minutes (action items in green)

March 25, 2024

Welcome: Brigitte VanBaelen welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm

Board members present: Brigitte VanBaelen, Lauren Tignor, Sarah Adams, Cora Thompson, Latoya, Mike Lynch, Robert Morris, Frank Peluso, Tom Gillespie, Ron Bossick, Rob Weisel, Marie Gooding, Non-voting members present: Peter Ulrich, Staff and faculty: Laura Solomon. Absent Members: Mike Lynch, Lee Perry, Cora Thompson, Robert “Trey” Thompson.

Motion into executive session, Ron Bossick, Marie, second, all in favor

Motion into general session: Tom Gillespie, Sarah Adams, second, all in favor

Financial Report: EdTec (Stephanie Barth)- Feb update

Previous Month vs. Current:

- 56K Decrease net-adjustments to health benefits, janitorial

Monthly cash:

- \$3.3M, 197 days

Motions: Brigitte VanBaelen

Motion to approve February Financials, Sarah Adams, Cora Thompson, second, all in favor

Motion to approve February minutes: Ron Bossick, Tom Gillespie, second, all in favor

Mission Moment -Data Science (Tracy West)

- Kindergarten- day and night data
- 1st grade- Data on hurricanes
- 2nd grade: Data on breakfast items that become trash
- 3rd- grade: oyster data/ barnacle and algae data
- 4th grade: vehicles-data on how far they can go, structures on tybee, how boats affect oyster beds
- 5th grade: bacteria in different areas of school/beach
- 6th grade: algae bloom data
- Maritime engineering- economy at the ports

School Leader Report: Peter Ulrich, Principal Administrator

Goal 1 Update: Shepherd empowered learners:

- March intersession update
- GMAS testing (late April/early May)
- MAP- excellent growth in middle grades
- GADOE-STEAM visit 3/26
- Average daily attendance- 96.4%

- Youscience, (helps students determine career path) completed in February

Looking Ahead:

- Defining student engagement metrics (emotional, cognitive)
- Neurodiverse learning research-STEM/STEAM-24% of students with identified special needs at TIMA, 2 colleagues writing paper on how we work with neurodivergent students
- STEAM renewal
- Curriculum needs
- Diversity, equity and inclusion (committee of 10 members)

Goal 2 Update: elevate teaching profession:

- GSU intern update- interns doing very well, all but one staying
- Hiring update- still seeking classroom elementary (2nd grade), made one hire,
 - Staff LYP lunch- April 20
 - Teacher appreciation planning underway
 - PBL review for incentive plan complete
 - Nurse Anderson, Instructional support person of year

Looking ahead

- Teacher of the year not yet announced
- Teacher goal setting for next year
- Leader in residence mid-term update

Goal 3 update

- Facilities update-task force applications complete
- Replication internal survey-47% completed
- Brightspace- has not been what we needed- will make recommendation to board
- Ipad repair process evaluation-takes 2 months or more, apple was faster but more expensive

Looking ahead:

- Budgeting
- 5 year forecast (including succession planning for school and board)

Goal 4 update: community connections through communication and relationship building

- Fishing Tournament
 - April 13, 2024
 - In tandem with Savannah Sport Fishing Club
- Chevron Update- working with SCCPSS to revise
- Charter School leader of the year-Peter
- TIMA art showcase at ships of sea
- Visit from Ghana delegates in partnership with Tybee MLK

Looking ahead

- Revust fundraising plan
- Renewal submission

- Chamber events
- 4Q showcase invitations
- Teacher externship

Fishing Tournament- 28k toward 30k goal

Maritime Fund- 96,039.00

Goal 5 Update Strengthen engagement of students/families

- VISTA update- hours-12th in district in volunteer hours
- Volunteer appreciation in May
- YMCA after school care
- Alumni engagement-spotlight-8th grader each week
- End of year event for alumni
- K orientation

Upcoming events

- March 29-bingo night
- April 11-parent plug in, task force 8:30 am
- April 22-Tybee MLK visit
- Volunteer banquet at Savannah Boathouse 5/16

Last Thoughts: Brigitte VanBaelen, Governing Board President - Full Board Training

- Board training must be complete by June 15-log into Canva
- Reminder: Board Calendar July 23 - June 24
 - Monday, April 22, 2024 -whole board training session- zoom from 4-7pm
 - Monday, May 20, 2024
 - Monday, June 24, 2024

Public Comment: None

Adjourn: Brigitte VanBaelen, Governing Board President

Motion to Adjourn: 7:27 pm Marie Gooding, second, Ron Bossick, all in favor.