

March 11, 2020  
MINUTES DRAFT

**The meeting was called to order at 4:45 pm.**

**Board Members Present:** Heather Fraser Hurtt, Chair, G'anna Burke, John Hanafee, Jennifer Huetter, Stephanie Parmely, Stephen Quadro, Adrianna Wray.

**Board Members Absent: All present.**

**Guests:** Amala Easton, Caleb Buckley, Megan Mardones, Becky Page, Susan Gutierrez, Jennifer Hoover, Barbara Ames.

**Flag Salute/Quote/Moment of Silence** – Caleb Buckley, EdD, read the Confidence Virtue Card.

**Public Comment** – Tahoe: Patricia Reidber read a letter from FOTTW.

Elizabeth Aldrich spoke about combining grades 2 and 3. Her family will have to withdraw if the grades combine.

Kate Panawhck spoke about marketing and growing the community at GVTS. The marketing strategy is falling short. There should be a social media marketing push. There was nothing posted about outreach for registration.

Jen Drew parent of 1<sup>st</sup> grader. She spoke about concerns with combining classes. She believes combining classes will impede enrollment.

Allie Watson, her son is very happy at GVTS. She is concerned about combining classes.

Megan Willowby is concerned about combining classes. She has two children that will be affected.

Laura Gross has children at GVTS. She is concerned about combining classes and how it will affect her children.

Karon Katalik read a letter on behalf of a grade 1 parent. Meggy And Chris Enoway Letter expressed concern over combining classes/

Kylie Knowles read letter from two parents who are concerned about combining classes at GVTS. Combining 2/3 cemented their decision to leave GVTS. Shawn Strong Easile.

AnnMarie Yatze is concerned about the ability to grow our school. She doesn't believe sufficient marketing has been done.

**Approval of the Minutes** – The Board approved the *February 12, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes*. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Audit Firm Selection** – The board voted authorize Caleb to negotiate with IIII, if he is unable to get a lower bid, he will sign with select an independent audit firm to perform the annual financial audit for Golden Valley Charter Schools. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Interim, Golden Valley Orchard School** – The board approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim for Golden Valley Orchard School. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Interim, Golden Valley River School** – The board approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim for Golden Valley River School. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Interim, Golden Valley Tahoe School** – The board approved the 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim for Golden Valley Tahoe School. (Ayes: 7, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Safety Plan, Orchard** – The board approved the Golden Valley Orchard School Safety Plan with the following amendment: add including the state air quality guidelines for recess or outdoor time under the General Disaster Section. (Ayes: 0, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Safety Plan, River** – The board approved the Golden Valley River School Safety Plan with the following amendment: add including the state air quality guidelines for recess or outdoor time under the General Disaster Section. (Ayes: 0, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Safety Plan, Tahoe** – The board approved the Golden Valley Tahoe School Safety Plan with the following amendment: add including the state air quality guidelines for recess or outdoor time under the General Disaster Section. (Ayes: 0, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Out of State Field Trip, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchard** – The board approved the Orchard School 7<sup>th</sup> grade to travel to Ashland, OR for a field trip during the 2019-2020 school year. (Ayes: 0, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Out of State Field Trip, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade River** – The board approved the River School 7<sup>th</sup> grade to travel to Ashland, OR for a field trip during the 2019-2020 school year. (Ayes: 0, Noes: 0, Abstain: 0)

**Strategic Plan 2030 Committee Report** – The board chair reported on the status of the strategic plan. The committee met on April 2 and will meet again on May 7 at 5:00 via Zoom.

**Strategic Response to COVID-19** – The board discussed Golden Valley Charter Schools' strategic response to the COVID-19 virus.

#### **Reports –**

J. Hoover - Just finished 10 days of teacher training in Santa Barbara and preparing for another Building Bridges weekend. PC elections and new officers. Faculty is in a growth mindset - "The Power of Yet."

J. Walthard - Observing the virtue of Vigilance - washing hands and alternative greetings. March is for mindfulness and working on meditative stories. Last week there was a lockdown drill and faculty observed that we need more sufficient safety window coverings. Dates for May Day Festival and Art Auction

B. River - New site update - 3/18 there will be a meeting for the site. Faculty have been looking at the Alliance Core Principles and readiness. Increase in tours and interest. Did their lockdown drill and fire drill.

#### **Community Reports –**

Golden Valley Educational Foundation (GVEF) - President and Treasurer looking for replacements. Volunteers needed. Spreadsheet plan for updating the Annual Fund. Working on some side projects. The letter to the community increased giving and some monthly

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contributions. GVEF will be calling families to thank them for their support.

Friends of Tahoe Truckee Waldorf (FOTTW)

**CLOSED SESSION** – The board went into closed session to discuss the Executive Director’s annual evaluation. No action taken.

**Recitation of the Motto of the Social Ethic**

The healing social life is found  
When in the mirror of each human soul  
The whole community finds its reflection,  
And when, in the community,  
The virtue of each one is living.

**The meeting was adjourned at 9:01 pm.**

**Respectfully submitted by Amala Easton.**

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Heather Fraser-Hurttt, Chair

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Date