

**Meeting Minutes** 

# Call to order

A meeting of the GO Team for Sylvan Hills Middle School was held at Sylvan Hills Media Center on 11/16/2017 by Travis Brown, Chairperson at 5:15 p.m. Agenda accepted.

Attendees included: Travis Brown, Hattie Way, Dyann Ryans, Sandra Foreman, Candace Roberts, Kia Ginn-Siebie, Chandra Mahoney, Linda Williams, and Artezsa Portee, Principal

Quorum present - 6 GO Team Members

## Members not in attendance

None

**Approval of minutes** - Dr. Ryans approved minutes from October, 2017 with one correction regarding date change from January to October as the month.

### **Action Items**

Vacant Seats - Parent and Swing Seat Member

- Principal Portee shared and introduced two nominations for vacant seats Ms. Candace Roberts (Parent) and Ms. Kia Ginn-Siebie (Swing Seat Member)
- Each candidate received a unanimous vote from the GO Team members.(6 votes each)

Meeting Dates and Times

- When: Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 5 p.m.
- Where: Media Center
- Motion by H. Way and accepted by Dr. Ryan New adopted time begins with December 21, 2017 meeting

## Discussion Items - Principal Portee provided information for the following:

a. Single Gender Academies - Proposal on hold until January 2018 meeting date

- View Growth data from STAR assessment for male and female students
- Solicit Feedback from parents -Online Survey or send home survey questions regarding gender classes
- Consider an experimental gender based group track for 9 weeks
- Take vote January, 2018 Phase in by grade levels 6<sup>th</sup> grade first if decision is passed
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade keep Co-ed



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b. Vacant Seat -One community Seat

#### Information Items:

Principal Portee shared the following:

- Strategic Priorities—Signature Program COLLEGE AND CAREER READY -
  - 1. Identified Areas of Focus for Sylvan (3) Reading/Math/Attendance
  - 2. Priorities: Academic Program/ Talent Management/ Supplemental Resources/Culture
  - 3. Align Budget to improve goals---
    - Close achievement gap
    - Create opportunities within school day to accelerate and remediate learning/ difficult to require after school remediation
    - Intervention Programs currently held first 2 periods of the day for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> in either reading or math/ 6<sup>th</sup> grade students rotate throughout the day in reading or math
    - Small class sizes for all grades
    - SEL a component of the school day
- December's meeting Revisit and Revise Strategic Plan/Budget

#### Announcements:

- ✤ 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Progress Reports
- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays Parent Meetings
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday PTSA Meeting
- Parents are welcomed to visit school at anytime

Adjournment - Dr. Ryans moved to adjourn at 6:33/ seconded by Ms. Roberts.

Linda Williams

Secretary

Date of approval