

A meeting of the GO Team for **Frederick Douglass High School** was held in the **Hospitality Suite at Douglass** on 10/05/2017. The meeting was called to order at 5:11 pm by acting Go Team Chair Ms. J. Fields. The roll was called by Secretary Edith Abakare, and it was determined that there was a quorum present to proceed with the meeting.

## Attendees

Attendees included:

	Dr. Duncan	Dr. Neely	Juli Gilyard
Edith Abakare	J. Fields	Ms. Denson	Mrs. Royster- McGriff

## Members not in attendance

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Temporary Chair Ms. Fields ask for a motion to accept the purposed meeting agenda for today's meeting. Mrs. Abakare moved that the agenda be accept. Mrs. Denson second. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Fields ask for a motion to accept previous meeting minutes from 9/7/2017 meeting. It was noted that corrections were needed. After minutes were edited a motion was requested from acting chair to accept minutes with changes. Edith Abakare motion, Juli Gilyard second and the motion carried unanimously.

## Discussion Items

### a) Old Business

#### i) None

## b) New Business

### i) Vacancies

- (1) Staff Member - Term Expires June 30, 2018
- (2) Parent Member - Term Expires June 30, 2018
- (3) Community Member - Term Expires June 30, 2018
- (4) Community Member - Term Expires June 30, 2018
- (5) Student Member - Term Expires June 30, 2018

The discussion of team vacancies was open by Dr. Duncan.

Dr. Duncan introduced his three choices for go team vacancies. The principal nominates candidates and the GO Team members vote on said candidates. Dr. Duncan share that he sent out emails to staff members asking for volunteers to join the GO Team. The school website and RoBo Calls were also used to solicit parent participation. Dr. Duncan's nominated, staff member Nicole Gilliam (language arts dept.) Community member, Hardy Blashe (business owner) and student member, Brittany Gholson ( 12<sup>th</sup> grade student). After a lengthy discussion some member of the team felt that they did not have enough background information on the principles choice for staff member to move forward with the vote.

Dr. Duncan asked for suggestion on what the team needed to move forward on approving potential candidates.

Dr. Duncan expressed that he wanted the team to feel comfortable with the process. He suggested the team come up with a battery of questions to determine what the team would ask of members desiring to join the GO Team.

Team member Edith Abakare stated that the process appears to be a setback for the team. Sharing that, since the inception of the Douglass High School Go Team controversy on member selection and the principal's right to have a say in the selection faces opposition from members yet again.

Dr. Duncan went on to say that he is fine with the team requesting more information but the process must apply to all candidates.

A motion to table the discussion and the vote until later to allow candidates to respond to a battery of question was proposed but failed to pass on the floor.

The 3 in favor to closed the discussion. Ms. Denson, Ms. Gilyard and Dr. Neely. 2 members opposed, Ms. J. Fields and Ms. Abakare.

The voting open with Nicole Gilliam to fill staff member vacancy.

Principal nomination for staff member was rejected by a 3 to 2 vote.

The discussion of proposed community member was opened. Ms. Denson asked several questions about this candidate. A motion was requested to close the discussion and a vote was called. Mr. Blashe was selected for a 2017/2019 school year term and the vote carried unanimously.

Hardy Blashe for community member was accepted by the GO TEAM.

Principal's choice for student member is Brittany Gholson. The vote was held and the vote carried unanimously. Brittany Gholson is the student representative for the 2017/2018 school term.

Acting chair motion for the election of GO Team Officers be table until other members were chosen. The motion failed with a 3 to 2 vote. The Go Team ruled to move forward with the officer elections. Ms. Fields ask for motion to amend the agenda to vote on the Cluster Advisory team member to the election. Ms. Gilyard move that the agenda be amended to include the election of Cluster Advisory member. Edith Abakare 2<sup>nd</sup>. The motion carried unanimously.

## Officer Elections

- 1 Chair - Can serve one term and is eligible for an additional term as Chair. Ms. Denson nominated Dr. Sheryl Neely for GO TEAM Chair. Ms. Gilyard second the nomination. No other nominations were made. The vote was 4 to 1 in favor of Dr. Neely becoming the Chair person for the 2017/2018 school year.

2. Vice Chair - Can serve one term and is eligible for an additional term as Vice-Chair. Ms. Denson nominated Ms. Juli Gilyard for vice chair Edith Abakare 2<sup>nd</sup>. No other nominations were made. The vote was unanimous. Juli Gilyard is Vice Chair for the 2017/2018 school year.

3. Secretary - Can serve one term and is eligible for an additional term as Secretary. Dr. Neely nominated Edith Abakare to serve an additional term as GO TEAM secretary. Mrs. Abakare declined. Ms. Fields and Ms. Denson were both nominated to fill the position as secretary both humbly decline. Dr. Duncan appointed student team member Brittany Gholson for interim secretary.

#### 4. Cluster Advisory Team Member-

--Edith Abakare nominated Ms. Fields to serve as Cluster Advisory Team Member. Dr. Sheryl Neely nominate Ms. Denson to serve as Cluster Advisory Team Member. The floor was open for discussion on both candidates. After the discussion was closed the vote was taken and Ms. Fields was selected as the 2017/ 2018 Cluster Advisory Team Member. The vote was 3 for and 1 against and Ms. Fields abstained from the vote. Ms. Denson received a vote of 2 for and 3 against.

## 4. Action Item. Review Go Team Summit and Strategic Plan

Mrs. McGriff gave the team an overview on the Summit. She reported that Dr. Carstaphen and a representative from the state spoke on data and were collaborating on a new theme. Mrs. McGriff report that she will create a packet to share the overview. Mrs. McGriff stated that the data on the strategic plan needs to updated and asked that the item be tabled until next scheduled meeting.

Public Comment dates were discussed GO TEAM MEETING DATES FOR DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL

September 7, 2015

October 5, 2017 @ 4:30 pm

October 26, 2017 (if needed)

November 30, 2017

January 25, 2018

February 15, 2018

April 26, 2018

## 5 Information Items

a. Principal's Report

## 6 Announcements

## 7 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned @ 7pm

Motion for meeting to be adjourned was introduced by chair. Ms. Field motion and Abakare 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

Edith Abakare

Secretary

Date of approval