
Genesis Innovation Academy

“Creating a Legacy of Greatness – One scholar at a time!”

Meeting Link: https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAuce6prj4rHNEFXf_0OjKSiBRO_0OSDeou

In Person Location: GIA Campus, 1049 Custer Ave SE, Atlanta, GA 30316

April 27, 2023

7:00 PM

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

In-Person Meeting

- I. Opening/Call to Order: Meeting called to order @ 7:09pm
 - A. Madam Chair requested a vote to call the meeting to order
 1. Motion made by Jeff Lawrence to call the meeting to order @ 7:09 PM
 2. Motion seconded by Taylor Brown.
 3. Abstentions – none.
 4. Opposed – none.
 5. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

- II. Attendance and Quorum Verification
 - A. Tomika Jones - Chair, Taylor Brown, Marissa Coleman, Jeff Lawrence; Dr. Marcus Shute, and Eddie Bradford.
 - B. Late: Keishia NiBlack.
 - C. Absent: none.
 - D. Quorum met.

- III. Consent Agenda (Madam Chair Jones)
 - A. Adoption of Agenda
 - B. Approval of **March** Minutes
 - C. Committee Reports
 - D. Recommended Board Action Items
 1. Approve Girls Academy **February** Financials
 2. Approve Boys Academy **February** Financials

- IV. Announcements & Recognitions (Madam Chair Jones)

- V. Discussion & Action Items for the Board
 - A. Governance – (Dr. Marcus Shute, Committee Chair)
 1. Action Item #1: Board Officer Vote
 - a. The Chair moved to accept the nominations for officers: Tomika Jones- Board Chair, Dr. Marcus Shute -Vice Chair, Marissa Coleman – Secretary, Jeff Lawrence - Treasurer, Eddie Robinson appointed CFO, and the recommended CPA.
 - 1) Motion made by Dr. Shute.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Jeff Lawrence.

- 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
- b. The Chair moved to close the nominations for officers: Tomika Jones- Board Chair, Dr. Marcus Shute -Vice Chair, Marissa Coleman – Secretary, Jeff Lawrence - Treasurer, Eddie Robinson appointed CFO, and the recommended CPA Auditor.
 - 1) Motion made by Dr. Shute.
 - 2) Motion seconded by jeff Lawrence.
 - 3) Abstentions - none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
- b. The Chair requested a vote to cast one ballot for the nominees for officers: Tomika Jones- Board Chair, Dr. Marcus Shute -Vice Chair, Marissa Coleman – Secretary, Jeff Lawrence - Treasurer, Eddie Robinson appointed CFO, and the recommended CPA Auditor.
 - 1) Motion made by Dr. Shute.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed – none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
2. Action Item #2: Vote on FY24 In-Person Meeting Dates
 - a. The Chair requested a vote to adopt the FY24 in-person Board Meetings to be held in October 2023 and April 2024 (specific dates details TBD).
 - 1) Motion made by Dr. Shute.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Marissa Coleman.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
3. Action Item #3: Reschedule June Governance Committee Meeting
 - a. No action taken.
4. Update Item #1: Committee meeting frequency verification
 - a. No action taken.
5. Update Item #2: Governance Training
 - a. No action taken.
- B. Finance - (Jeff Lawrence and Committee Chair/Dr. Gavin Samms)
 1. Update Item #1: Facilities Renovation Update
 - a. No action taken.
 2. Discussion Item #1: Instructional Support Salary Scale

- a. No action taken.
 - 3. Action Item #1: Vote on Paraprofessional Salary Scale
 - a. Madam Chair requested a vote to approve the paraprofessional salary scale
 - 1) Motion made by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Keishia NiBlack.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
 - 4. Action Item #2: Reschedule June Finance Committee Meeting
 - a. Madam Chair requested a vote to approve a simultaneous Governance meeting will be held on June 14 @ 5:00 PM followed by the Finance Committee @ 6:00 PM.
 - 1) Motion made by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Keishia NiBlack.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
 - 5. Action Item #3: Vote on FY24 Public Budget Meeting Schedule
 - a. Jeff moved to hold the FY24 Budget Public Meetings to May 25, 2023 @ 7:00 PM and June 22 @ 7:00 PM
 - 1) Motion made by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Keishia Niblack.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
 - 6. Action Item #4: Vote on Auditor for FY24
 - a. Madam Chair requested a vote to approve Bambo Sonaike, CPA as our auditor.
 - 1) Motion made by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Dr. Shute.
 - 3) Abstentions – none; Opposed - none.
 - 4) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
 - 7. Action Item #5: Vote on changes to Financial Policy
 - a. The Chair requested a vote to approve changes to the Financial Policy as presented.
 - 1) Motion made by Jeff Lawrence.
 - 2) Motion seconded by Taylor Brown.
 - 3) Abstentions – none.
 - 4) Opposed - none.
 - 5) Motion carried by unanimous vote.
- C. Development – (Keishia Niblack, Committee Chair)
- 1. Update Item #1: Development Consult update
 - a. No action taken.

- D. Academic Excellence – (Dr. Gavin Samms, Committee Chair)
 - 1. Update Item #1: Staffing Update
 - a. No action taken.

 - 2. Update Item #2: Enrollment Update
 - a. No action taken.

- VI. Public Forum

- VII. Executive Session (none)

- VIII. Action Item Review
 - A. Old Business (prior Action Items)
 - B. New Business (new Action Items)

- IX. Next Board Meeting: [May 25, 2023 @ 7:00 PM](#)

- X. Closing and Adjournment @ 9:05 PM
 - A. Madam Chair requested a vote to close the meeting at 9:05 PM
 - 1. Motion made by Keishia Niblack.
 - 2. Motion seconded by Marissa Coleman.
 - 3. Abstentions – none.
 - 4. Opposed - none.
 - 5. Motion carried by unanimous vote.