

# Trailblazers Academy

Board of Directors

October 26, 2018

8:00am

Community Room

83 Lockwood Avenue

Stamford, CT 06902

**Attendees:** Craig Baker, Miguel Pickering, Jamie Waggaman, Steve Baker, Edwin Naval, Julia Snowden, Curt Battles

**Phoned in:** Gary Goldberg, Angie Tortorella

**Not present:** Owen Davis, Paul Colonna

## **Agenda:**

- **Welcome**
- **Treasures Report, CFO, Edwin Naval**
- **School director's report**

**Introduction:** Steve Baker, Board Chairman

- Approval of last month's board meeting notes
  - Seconded, and approved

**Treasure's Report, CFO Domus Kids, Edwin Naval**

- Year to date budget update (see also fundraising update below).
- Key items/donors including School Improvement Grant and potential individual donor, meeting with this donor is upcoming.

## **Fundraising & Development**

- Bowl-A-Thon fundraiser (Steve Baker)
  - Hosted by Cushman & Wakefield Future Leaders
  - November 13 (5:30-8:30)
- Edwin to provide Domus update on fundraising by email to board members
- Discussed having updates from Edwin on changes in salary expenditures and confirming salaries were correctly accounted for beginning in August. Discussed variations due to overtime pay (expected and unexpected).
- School improvement grant – discussed timing of expected receipt and planned uses including ESL, literacy, math enrichment.
- Classroom enrichment grant – Jamie provided update on first potential request to be submitted to the board.

**Governance** (Steve Baker and Julia Snowden)

- Committees

- Bylaws – Julia setting up call with Stamford Academy board members to understand their recent updates to the SA bylaws.
- Plan to review service agreement between Domus & Trailblazers Academy – Steve to set up lunch meeting to go through in detail.

**Data dashboard,** (Curt Battles)

- Craig Baker presented template based on dashboard produced for SA board.
- Currently enrolled
- Suspensions
- Attendance (among those currently enrolled) – Curt and Miguel noted recent state interest in TA success with respect to improving attendance and related strategies.
- STAR assessments (math/ELA)
- Potential to add report on hiring, tenure of teachers, profile of teacher background, wishlist from teachers.

**School Director Report** (school director, Miguel Pickering)

- State visit
- Monthly update on key metrics
  - Attendance
    - Average attendance rate 97%
  - Suspensions
    - # of ISS/OSS among those currently enrolled (0 students)

**Academic update**

- Literacy intervention program
- Beginning early November
- Interim assessments (math/ELA)
- Craig to provide update on TA data story report, to be discussed at future meeting.

Adjourned at 9:00am.