



TRUE NORTH
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Board Meeting Agenda

True North Classical Academy (1000)

True North Classical Academy South (1002)

True North Classical Academy High School (7039)

December 13, 2019 ❖ 10:00am

9393 Sunset Drive • Miami, FL 33173

I. Opening Session

A. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting was called to order at 10:07

Board Members present: Luis Diaz, Pete Windhorst, Rudy Pages

Others present: Dr Marc Snyder, Jeanine Finlay, Michael Bileca

B. Agenda - Approval of Agenda

Moved by Luis Diaz, Seconded by Pete Windhorst. Approved unanimously.

II. Reports

A. School Progress Report

Jeanine Finlay gave a school progress update for K-8. Enrollment in True North South was at projections, enrollment at True North Academy (1000) was at projections, Applications received for the 2020-21 school year are currently at 617.

New history teacher has been hired to replace Dr. Brady. Recruiting for next year for the following positions: Kindergarten, 1st grade, 2nd grade, 6th grade Lit/History or Math/Science, 7th grade Lit/History or Math/Science.

Instructional Coaching development continues for Mrs. Rowlands, Mr. Finlay and Mrs. Coile. Will be videotaping to further evaluate and provide feedback.

Testing - Writing assessments have been completed, results usually take 2-3 weeks to receive. Math mid year assessments have been completed for Algebra and Geometry.

Satisfactory Progress is much higher this year than last year. MYA for science, civics will be completed next month.

Dr. Snyder gave a school progress update for the True North Classical Academy High School. Applications received for the 2020-21 school year are currently at 965, a marketing campaign will begin for the upper grades. Recruiting for next year for the following positions: 9th/10th Reading Coach/Interventionist, Humane Letters Teachers, Geometry/Algebra II, Chemistry

Academic Achievement results - best year, overall - 18th in the State when compared to K-8 schools. Math and reading scores were the highest in True North History.

- B. Financials
- III. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve Minutes
Moved by Luis Diaz, Seconded by Pete Windhorst. Approved unanimously
- IV. Board Discussion / Actions
 - A. Construction update
The project is still scheduled for completion on June 30th.
 - B. Walton Foundation Award
\$325k grant has been awarded to the High School
 - C. Charter School Growth Fund Agreement
Agreement reviewed Motion was made by Luis Diaz to approve the Grant Award Agreement, Seconded by Pete Windhorst. Approved unanimously
 - D. Student enrollment plan
Discussion of enrollment plan for the 2020-21 school year. Approximately 250 student openings. Lottery will be held March 4th, 2020.
 - E. ESI Recruiting Services/Teacher Recruiting Plan
Discussed a new company hired to help with recruiting. Current plan is to hire 14 new teachers for K-10th grade. Tier 1 - Classical Experience and Tier 2 - Experienced charter school teacher. Will be attending college job fairs in January. Letters of intent will be sent to current teachers in February and contracts in April.
 - F. AdvancED accreditation results
Rating results were amongst the highest for the year out of any school. Scored at the highest level in 20 out of 24 categories. Our overall score 370.94 (range is 278.34-283.33) Results have been published to parents. Rudy Pages suggested putting it on the school website.
 - G. Threat Assessment Team Update
- V. Next Steps
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 12:11



Approved by Governing Board February 21, 2020
Signed by Luis Diaz, Governing Board Chairperson