

G-STAR SCHOOL OF THE ARTS, INC.

Meeting of Board of Directors  
September 20, 2016  
MINUTES

A meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the G-Star School of the Arts, Inc. dba G-Star School of the Arts for Film, Animation and Performing Arts (the "Company") was held at 11380 Prosperity Farms Road, Suite 204, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, pursuant to due notice commencing at 4:30 P.M. on August 28, 2014. Directors present included Ross Cooper (by phone), Cindy D'Agostino, Barbara Scheffer, and William R. Smith. Also attending by invitation of the Board: Philip DiComo, Greg Hauptner (non-voting member), Kim Collins (G-Star Principal), Michelle Forgione (parent of a G-Star student). The meeting was called to order by Chairman at 4:30 P.M. A quorum was achieved.

After review and discussion, it was:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the board meeting held on March 28, 2016, are approved and ratified as presented.

Motion: D'Agostino

Second: Smith

Voted: Unanimous

Michelle Forgione, the parent of G-Star student Noah Forgione, was introduced as a prospective Board Director. Ms. Forgione is the President of the G-Star PTA and has performed fundraising for the school and events for the teachers to thank them for all they do. The Board was pleased to meet her. The process from this point will be Ms. Forgione will contact each Board Director for a "get-to-know" conversation. Then the Board will vote on her addition to the Board.

Greg Hauptner gave the Board a review of last year's financial report which included a loss in revenue due to a major reduction in the Capital Outlay funding from the state by \$152,705 and \$152,000 in one-time expenses for major upgrades to the school's property (i.e., remodel the cafeteria), new IT and marketing systems, and a variety of other improvements. Current financial statements as of 8/31/2016 show an increase in income over expenses of \$89,893 plus a contribution from the G-Star Foundation for \$44,171 for new A/Cs and new special dance floors in Bldg. H, for a total increase of \$134,064 in July and August 2016 – a good start to the new school year. The Board next discussed at length the annual Audit by King & Walker.

After discussion, it was:

RESOLVED: That a motion to approve and accept the reconciliation of the audit by King & Walker on page 39 to be in compliance with the School District directive of balancing the budget.

Motion: D'Agostino

Second: Scheffer

Voted: Unanimous

RESOLVED: A motion to approve and accept the annual audit by King & Walker.

Motion: D'Agostino  
Second: Scheffer  
Voted: Unanimous

Greg Hauptner and Mrs. Collins reported on a 3-question survey taken by all 1020 students asking what they liked about G-Star, what they felt needed improvement at G-Star, and what they expected in the future from attending G-Star. The survey provided extremely useful insight to what the students and their parents view as needed to improve the school. The vast majority agreed it was to upgrade facilities. Students acknowledged the improvements made last school year and want that to continue. Therefore, with the help of the Foundation, G-Star is renovating areas of the school and brightening up the school facilities to give it more of an "art school" decor. The Board agreed.

Mrs. Collins then presented the School Improvement Plan (SIP) for 2016-2017. She explained that SIP is done for D-F schools, but that she does it every year for G-Star, a "High Performing School," as an exercise in "Best Practices."

RESOLVED: A motion to approve and accept the SIP.

Motion: D'Agostino  
Second: Scheffer  
Voted: Unanimous

Greg Hauptner reported on the disagreement with the School District on the removal of over 75% of the IDEA funding for the school from its disabled children. The School District has violated our charter school charter by by-passing our Conflict Resolution process the School District signed and approved. The School District told us to go straight to the State if we didn't comply with their directive. The Board discussed the matter at length and strongly disagrees with the actions taken by the School District regarding the funding of the IDEA funds.

RESOLVED: A motion to continue with the mediation with the School District through the State of Florida DOE.

Motion: D'Agostino  
Second: Scheffer  
Voted: Unanimous

Greg Hauptner and Mrs. Collins then gave a report on the Cell Phone Film Festival for Middle School Students (a student recruiting event), X-Scream Halloween (a fundraising event), and In Sanity, Florida (a TV show that our students are working on with professional production company and actors).

Move to adjourn:

Motion: William R. Smith  
Second: Ross Cooper  
Voted: Unanimous

Cindy D'Agostino, \_\_\_\_\_