



1882 Governing Board

June 13, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Present Via Zoom:

1882 Board Members: Dr. Sharonda Pruitt, Betty Burks, Jeanne Whitman, Kate Williamson, Travis Hutt, Lynn McBee

1882 Executive Director: Berta Fogerson

Principals: Regina Arzamendi, Laura Doughty and Jennifer Elwood

YWPN Staff: Brad Harlan

Agenda:

- I. **Call Meeting to Order-**Dr. Sharonda Pruitt, Governing Board Chair called the meeting to order at 11:33 am.
- II. **Mission Moment-**Berta Fogerson presented graduation highlights and reported that the eight YWPN schools who have seniors maintained a 100% graduation rate, 100% acceptance to an institution of higher learning, and netted \$93 million dollars in merit scholarships. She shared slides from San Antonio's graduation and College Signing Day celebration.
- III. **Approval of the February 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes**
Dr. Pruitt asked if there were comments or revisions to the minutes from the last meeting and then called for a motion. Betty Burks made the motion to approve the minutes from the February 10th meeting. Jeanne Whitman provided a second. Motion passed 6-0.
- IV. **Information and Discussion Items**
 - a. **YWPN Partner Update- Lynn McBee, YWPN CEO**
Lynn McBee provided the following YWPN updates:
 - Attended 8 YWPN graduations. This was the first for Ysleta and it was very moving and beautifully orchestrated.
 - YWLA 20th Anniversary plans continue.
 - YWPN will have an outdoor picnic in the fall at Klyde Warren Park.

- o Two alumnae and students from each of the schools are involved in the planning along with YWPN staff.
 - o The event is scheduled to take place on October 23rd at 2 pm.
- Sally Posey reached out to notify the Network of her move to Austin and gifted the organization with the proceeds that came from the estate sale at her home in Dallas.
- YWPN has been involved in replacing principal and college success advisors who have retired or accepted new positions.
- The Network has been conducting interviews to fill the Development Manager position in Midland. This position is dedicated to creating awareness, building partnerships, establishing an Advisory Council, and fundraising for long-term sustainability. In response to several questions from the Board, Mrs. McBee clarified that this was a city specific position and that the pool of applicants in the second round of interviews was much stronger than those from the December vetting efforts. She felt confident that a Development Manager would be named for Midland in the next week.
- YWPN will be developing the action plan for the new strategic plan. Alumnae support has been identified as an area that needs to be addressed. With 62% of our graduates earning degrees in six years, the Network will be setting goals and creating strategies that will move the degree attainment rate to 100% in future years. Support in the form of social emotional health and financial security for college success will be defined. Kris Waugh, retired Ann Richards School Principal, has been hired to help define the strategies that can best support our alumnae once they get to college.

b. YWPN Partner Update-Berta Fogerson, YWPN Chief Academic Officer

Berta Fogerson provided the following YWPN updates:

- The Midland school is in the process of moving to a permanent location at the former Washington Elementary School building. Renovation and moving efforts are underway.
- YWLA San Antonio is moving forward with the renovation and addition to the existing building. District and campus leaders have been working with the architects to preserve the historical integrity of the existing structure while incorporating the new space.
- The Charter renewal for YWLA San Antonio is in progress and due in mid-July. The Midland Charter was approved by the board and extended for five years.
 - o The National Coalition of Girls School (NCGS) is holding a global conference in Boston, MA on June 26-29, 2022. Jeanne Goka, the founding principal of the Ann Richards School will be recognized as the winner of the Ransome Prize, which is a lifetime achievement award for the individuals who have championed for single gender education. Jeanne is now on staff at YWPN, and she

will be celebrated for her contributions. YWPN has a network-wide delegation of 26 people attending.

- College Board training for teachers is made available to those new to teaching an AP course. These are offered at universities near all of the YWPN schools making access to the learning attainable for all educators.
- Summer enhancement opportunities in the areas of STEM and leadership have been created and offered to girls across the Network.
- San Antonio ISD named Jaime Aquino as the new Superintendent. He attended graduation and provided congratulations to each student as they crossed the stage. Melissa Ware, who coordinated the 1882 compliance efforts with each of the partners, announced her resignation from MISD. A replacement for her has not been named.
- The board was made aware of some negative Instagram posts about YWLA San Antonio. Ms. McLerran and Berta Fogerson have been responding to the allegations and will provide a report to the district delineating the findings and the action steps that will be taken to address the concerns.

V. Presentations

a. YWLA Midland EOY Highlights and Preliminary Data Review – Laura Doughty, YWLA Midland

- YWLA Midland highlighted several celebrations of events and accolades that resulted during the 2021-22 school year including success in the following areas:
 - Destination Imagination-1st and 6th in the State
 - 12 students advanced to the State Science Fair
 - 3 Robotics Teams advanced to State
 - 2 students advanced to state in CX Debate
 - Orchestra Sweepstakes and highest performance ratings earned by the Choir in UIL performance and sightreading.
- Guest speakers, college trips, and Partners in education were highlighted and included:
 - Dr. Kelso from Texas Tech Medical
 - Midland College, UTPB, and Texas Tech college trips
 - Partnerships with engineers from XTO for IAGTED
 - New STEM Center as a result from a partnership with Cal Ripkin, Sr. Foundation, XT and Diamondback
- Clubs, extra-curriculars, and community service events were showcased.
- Mrs. Doughty shared preliminary STAAR/EOC scores and revealed that the data indicates that 97% of students who were administered an exam met the state passing standard with 83% performing at grade level and 58% of the students achieving at masters level.
- Amanda Byars was named Midland ISD Teacher of the Year.

b. YWLA San Antonio EOY Highlights and Preliminary Data Review- Regina Arzamendi

- Regina Arzamendi reported the following preliminary STAAR/EOC scores for the secondary campus: English I- 97%, English II- 99%, Algebra I -97%, Biology- 99%, US History- 100%, 6th Math- 92%, 6th Reading- 96%, 7th Math- 92%, 7th Reading- 99%, 8th Math 83%, 8th Science 97%, and 8th Social Studies 88%
- End of Year Highlights for the school included:
 - YWLA was named an AVID National Demonstration School
 - Fine Arts programs in dance and music excelled
 - Senior Signing Day was a huge success. In partnership with Spurs organization, YWLA was able to host an event that included all families and the secondary campus students present at the event.
 - Prom, The Pink Rose Ceremony (transition to HS), and the Candlelight Ceremony were showcased
 - \$50,000 in Scholarships were earned by the YWLA seniors at the Cesar E. Chavez Awards event
 - Isabella Mazzuca, valedictorian, and Carolyn Lanford were recognized for their outstanding academic performance and many achievements.

c. YWLA Primary San Antonio End of Year Highlights and Preliminary STAAR Data Review – Jennifer Elwood YWLA Primary, San Antonio reported the following preliminary results after students tested for the first time:

- The campus outperformed the district and the region in meeting the state passing standard in mathematics with 67% of the students tested performing at approaches level, 27% performing a meets grade level, and 10% reaching masters level. In Reading 88% met the state passing standard, 63% met the grade level performance standard, and 45% performed at masters level.
- Highlights for the year included events like:
 - Dia de las Ninas
 - Field Day/SEL Day
 - Bike Rodeo
 - Community Service at the Food Bank raising \$3020 to serve the food needs of the San Antonio community
 - Ballet Folklorico
 - Gardopia Gardens Partnership campus/school/community project
 - UTSA School of Architecture Outdoor Classroom
- Mrs. Elwood discussed projected enrollment and the expansion to 4 fourth grade classrooms; 454 students are projected for next year. The district had projected 367 students, and they have surpassed the enrollment goal.

- d. Budget Process Update-Berta Fogerson-**Mrs. Fogerson reported that budget conversations have been had with both districts pertaining to staffing allocations, Title I Funding, District, Federal, and special program funding. Several drafts of campus budgets have been delineated, but the process has taken longer than usual. Enrollment continues to fluctuate, and the hiring process is still underway. Berta will continue to work with the campus principals and will reach out to the Budget Committees for each district if there are issues that arise prior to presentation for budget approval in the September meeting.

VI. Action Items

No action items were presented at this meeting.

VII. Questions & Comments

VIII. Meeting Adjournment

- Dr. Sharonda Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 1:23 p.m.

Next Meeting:

September 8, 2022

Young Women's Leadership Academy at Booker T. Washington – Midland

1800 E Wall Street

Midland, Texas

(zoom option will be provided)