



1882 Governing Board

December 2, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Present Via Zoom:

1882 Board Members: Betty Burks, Elise Kail, Travis Hutt, Koshi Dhingra, Sharonda Pruitt

YWPN Staff: Brad Harlan

Present at YWLA Primary San Antonio:

1882 Board Members: Jeanne Whitman

1882 Executive Director: Berta Fogerson, YWPN Chief Academic Officer (proxy vote for Lynn McBee)

Principals: Regina Arzamendi and Jennifer Elwood

Agenda:

- I. **Call Meeting to Order**-Sharonda Pruitt called the meeting to order at 11:35 am. She welcomed the students who would performing for the Mission Moment.
- II. **Mission Moment**- Principal Elwood introduced the members of the YWLA Dance Program who hd recently performed for another event in SAISD. She commended that Mrs. Diaz has put into developing the dance program at the primary campus as an engaging avenue for promoting wellness. The students performed their routine for the board.
- III. **Approval of the September 8, 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 to approve. Eise Kail made the motion to approve the minutes from the September 8th meeting. Jeanne Whitman provided a second. Motion passed 7-0
- IV. **Information and Discussion Items**
 - a. **YWPN Partner Update- Berta Fogerson** reported that Mrs. McBee was in Florida representing YWPN in the final phase of the Yass Prize grant award.

Fogerson noted she would include Ms. McBee's updates in the school oversight report.

b. School Oversight Update-Berta Fogerson, YWPN Chief Academic Officer

Berta Fogerson shared the following:

- YWPN hosted the 20th Anniversary Celebration in October which included participation of 25 students and staff members from each of the schools. The students engaged in collaborative activities with their peers from the sister schools and conducted a pin exchange with other students and guests in attendance. Each school designed their own pin and students were challenged to collect as many of the different pins as were available. In addition, each school showcased with a presentation or performance of a unique/outstanding program on their campus. Former US Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison was the keynote speaker and spoke about the initiative she led along with three other senators to enact legislation that would legalize single-gender public schools.
- On October 23-26, YWPN hosted twelve principals for the 20th Anniversary Celebration and the Fall Leadership Collaborative. During the collaborative, principals engaged in a Strength Finders workshop which focused on identifying leadership strengths and utilizing those skills to more effectively work with other leaders in the district and on the campus. Jeanne Goka led training to provide the opportunity for principals to actively review the microaggression modules that were developed by the DEIJ committee, so they could work on plans for application at their campuses. Kris Waugh conducted an SEL Workshop, and SEL activities were embedded throughout the day during the collaborative so that self-care activities could be deliberately practiced for future implementation. Alyssa Pizana presented some opportunities for a future partnership with Invest in Girls, an organization who offers financial literacy curriculum for our schools. Fogerson led a session on YWPN Updates and worked with principals on how to respond to requests for data that can support development efforts for grants. The process for enhancement requests and expenditures was also reviewed. Claire Manigold led a session on the protocols for expenditures and credit card use. The collaborative ended with a Round Table Discussion of celebrations, issues, and concerns wherein the collective group applauded accomplishments and problem solved challenges. The feedback was incredibly positive. YWPN currently holds collaboratives twice a year for Principals, CSAs, Counselors, and Development Managers (which was led for the first time by Jennifer Long). The Network is looking to broaden the scope to host one for assistant principals in the future. The Spring Collaborative is scheduled for February 26th – 28th.
- 1882 Updates: The Charter Renewal for San Antonio has been submitted to the board and will be up for final approval in the January board meeting. A five-year instead of a four-year extension was requested based on school performance. San Antonio is also in discussion with partners about moving from a flat management fee for services provided by the district to

a purchase option allowing us to opt out of areas that do not impact our school, such as ROTC.

Midland is transitioning to new district leadership after Superintendent Ramsey accepted a position in Fort Worth ISD, and we are currently reviewing our compliance metrics to ensure that all the documents the district is requesting are submitted into the new information portal that has been developed to house all 1882 information.

Beginning of year appraisal and goal setting conferences have taken place and have been approved. Both schools are on track to meet the expected performance measures for the 2022-23 school year.

- The Network continues to provide various types of services including: 1) Leading the work of the Campus Councils with a focus on practices that will address issues surrounding diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice 2) Librarians Unite! is a collective of campus librarians and media specialists working to provide our students with the richest and most beneficial library resources 3) Social Emotional best practices and support for students, teachers and leaders 4) Partnership opportunities, internships, and programs that align with academic excellence, leadership development, and/or health and wellness.

- V. 1882 Financial Reports-**Berta Fogerson reviewed the mid-year Financial Reports that had been shared with the board prior to the meeting. She explained that each campus had their own process for pulling the report. All three campuses have dedicated substantial amounts of their 1882 Budgets to support salaries for critical positions that fall outside of the district staffing model including the college success advisors, instructional coaches, specialists, and teaching staff that provide programming specific to the YWPN College Success Model. Beyond the dedicated funds for staffing, the 1882 funds have been allocated to college trips, STEM programming, document cameras, tutorial services, professional development, instructional supplies, travel, and To and Through College resources. To date, Midland has spent \$473,804 of their overall campus budget. Over \$31k is currently encumbered and there is still \$2.3 million available of which the bulk is already dedicated to operating expenses and salaries for the remainder of the year. Ms. Doughty will provide an 1882 specific breakdown of funds and expenditures at the next meeting. San Antonio's reports were both 1882 Funds specific. The primary campus was allocated \$367,729 in 1882 funding. Like Midland, the majority of those dollars are dedicated to salaries for critical positions. Twenty-nine percent of the budget has been spent (\$100,781) leaving a remaining balance of \$261,570. YWLA secondary campus had a starting budget of \$633,455 of which \$122,669 has been spent. Salaries, student travel, college success initiatives, and summer enhancement programs will absorb the remaining funds throughout the spring semester at all campuses.

VI. Presentations

a. YWLA San Antonio Secondary and Primary Campus Report- Ragina Arzamendi & Jennifer Elwood

Mrs. Arzamendi and Mrs. Elwood reported the following:

- Mrs. Arzamendi noted that middle of year assessments at the secondary campus are scheduled for early January and student monitoring will continue throughout the spring. Data reporting timelines and expectations for sharing outcomes with teachers were shared with the board. Administrative support will be provided by the Head of Schools, assistant principals, and the instructional coach.
- Data trackers and Intervention Plans will be developed for all students that are deemed in need of support. The MTSS process will be used to tier student support as needed.
- T-TESS Deep Dives will be conducted to observe, evaluate, and share best practices so as to improve instruction.
- Weekly grade level meetings and monthly department meetings will be used for teachers to collaborate and review student data and progress.
- October and November school highlights were shared including Hispanic Heritage Month Assembly, Day of the Girls, All-Girls Math Competition, Commended National Merit Scholars, Classical Music Institute Performance, and a Health Fair.
- Ms. Elwood shared samples of the MOY STAAR Interim Assessment Data reports which included the scale scores and data analysis data that is being used to create targeted instruction and intervention for students. Ms. Elwood noted that she has every reason to believe that students will meet the data metrics as set forth in the Partnership Agreement, especially as we go into charter renewal in 2023-24.
- YWLA Primary showed a video that highlighted first semester events and celebrations. Some of these events included an overview of the newly implemented House System and House Celebration, incredible parent support for the first annual Fall Festival, Grandparents' Day Celebration, HallowSTEAM, Day of the Dead ofrenda project, Veteran's Day Celebration featuring the YWLA Primary choir, and STEAM Fridays.
- YWLA Primary was featured in a segment of the local news. The girls were interviewed talking about their garden project in partnership with Gardopia Gardens. They discussed the scope of the project and explained how the irrigation system was set up, how it worked off of the Wi-Fi, and what they did to program the whole set up.

b. YWLA Midland Campus Report-Berta Fogerson

Mrs. Doughty could not be present due to a death in the family. Mrs. Fogerson provided the following report to the board:

- The campus is thriving in their new facility. Midland ISD was commended for their investment in initiating the facility upgrades that were necessary for the campus to transition from an elementary to a secondary facility.
- Fall 2022 PSAT/NMSQT results were shared and showed the YWLA outperformed the state average by a significant margin in 7th through 10th grades. At 6th grade, the campus was 2 points below the state average, but it is significant to note the growth in performance from 6th to 7th.
- Fall semester highlights included a trip to Dallas to participate in the YWPN 20th Anniversary Celebration and the Letter Jacket Ceremony recognizing students who earned qualifying scores on AP exams. In addition, through the partnerships secured by Kate Williamson, YWPN Development Manager, the campus has initiated a Women in Leadership Speaker Series. Various partnerships have also evolved with community organizations and foundations which have also garnered multiple donations to support the college success initiatives on the campus.
- Applications for the 2023-24 school year are open and the Mrs. Doughty and the leadership team have been actively recruiting in MISD.
- Competitions in speech and debate garnered 3 state qualifiers, the robotics teams have competed in several tournaments, 7 students earned seats in the All City Choir, and 13 orchestra students earned seats in the All City Orchestra with one regional qualifier for UIL all-region orchestra competition.

VII. Action Items

- a. Mrs. Fogerson presented the proposed YWLA Midland Student Outcome Goals that will be included as part of the five year charter renewal that was approved by the MISD board in the fall (addendum A-3 attached). Jeanne Whitman moved that the goals be approved as presented by Berta Fogerson. Elise Kail seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

VI. Questions & Comments

VII. Meeting Adjournment

- Dr. Pruitt adjourned the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Next Meeting:

March 2nd, 2023, in Dallas
Young Women's Preparatory Network
1722 Routh St., Ste. 720
Dallas, Texas
Zoom:

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