



## The Children's Guild DC Charter School Board

Tuesday, August 4, 2020  
6 – 8 p.m.

### Attendees

Michael Curran  
Marie Caputo  
Joan Payne  
Robert Seabrooks  
Tiffany Dunston  
Yolanda Lusane  
Mayra Figueroa-Clark  
Melody Giles  
Seema Thomas

### The Children's Guild Staff

Dr. Andrew Ross  
Bryan Daniels  
Aleisa Fries  
Ronesha Estep  
Alice Kirk  
Brandon Turner

## Minutes

### 1. Call to Order and Welcome/Introductions of New Board Members

The Children's Guild D.C Charter School Board Meeting called to order at 6:04pm.

- Introductions of New and Current Board Members and The Children's Guild staff.

### 2. Review of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from June 8, 2020 - Approved

### 3. Board Orientation Update

The Board Orientation is scheduled for August 10, 2020 at 5-8pm.

- The Board Orientation is intended to provide context, expectations, member roles and responsibilities, and to determine Committee structure.

### 4. Return to School – Mr. Daniels

- *Technology Readiness*
  - TCGDC has distributed more than 200 Chromebooks to re-enrolled students.
  - TCGDC is in the process of providing devices to all new students.

- Device distribution will begin on August 13, delivery service and pick up options are available.
- The Internet Access Plan costs are covered by The Children's Guild to ensure all students have undisturbed accessibility to virtual classrooms and internet materials.
- GoGuardian (Application) is being utilized and tracked by teachers and administrators to monitor student computer use and website visitation.
- *Virtual School Plan*
  - Teachers are currently using Google Classrooms and Zoom as Virtual Learning platform.
  - The Learning Management System (LMS) will be transitioned to "Brightview."
  - TCGDC has created a Parent Learning Platform offering weekly Townhalls for parents to attend for any inquiries, updates and to remain in constant with Administrators.
  - TCGDC will be sending out a bi-weekly student progress report to parents to monitor student participation.
  - Mr. Daniels will send out OSSE LEA School Recovery Plan to all Board Members.
- *Bus Contracts*
  - TCG is keeping current contract with Bus Company at ¼ capacity to ensure availability when needs for transportation again arise.
  - Collaborating with other schools in the area to compare plans and costs.
- *Teacher Vacancies*
  - TCGDC is fully staffed, no vacancies.

5. Enrollment – Mr. Turner (**attached**)

- *Focus of school and marketing for next year*
  - Goals and current registrations presented.

6. Playground – Dr. Ross (**attached**)

Pictures of current blank space recommended playground equipment presented.

- It is clarified that there are other priorities at the school, such as Arts Integration/Programs, but a playground is high on the list for student enrichment and “brain breaks”.
- Once the Board structure is determined, this will be reviewed again for decision.
- Mr. Daniels will provide list of additional needs to Board Members with costs for review and prioritization.
- Enrollment is key to determining when playground construction (\$400k) should start.

## 7. Adjourn

The Children's Guild D.C Charter School Board Meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.