



## GOAL Academy Board of Directors Meeting

<b>MINUTES</b>	<b>DATE:</b> February 23, 2021	<b>START TIME:</b> 4:30	<b>Virtual Meeting</b> <b>Microsoft Teams</b>  <b>Meeting was in a virtual-only format due to ongoing Covid 19 concerns.</b>
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<b>Meeting Facilitator</b>	<b>President of the Board, Ted Del Duca</b>			
<b>Type of Meeting</b>	<b>Regular Meeting of the GOAL Academy Board of Directors</b>			
<b>Note-Taker</b>	<b>Gunnison Pagnotta, Board Liaison</b>			
	<b>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</b>			
	<b>Meeting was called to order by President Del Duca at 4:30 p.m.</b>			
<b>Board Member Attendee Roll Call</b>  <b>Secretary Heiser was not present at role call, but arrived in the meeting at 4:40 pm.</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
	Jerald Gatlin	Board Director	X	
	Luis Contreras	Treasurer		X
	Jeremiah Heiser	Secretary		X
	Nicolas Jimenez	Vice President	X	
	Ted Del Duca	President	X	
	<b>Quorum was established.</b>			

	<p><b>GOAL Staff Present:</b> Dr. Constance Jones, Jill Toussaint, Deb Morton, Karla Ash, Jamie Trujillo, Gunnison Pagnotta, Geri Sandoval, Mark DeHerrera, Marcie Knezel, Jason Hochevar, Frank Falsetto, Samantha Smith, Heather Gonzales, Shane Johnson, Heather Coberly, Bethani Rodriguez, Christine Morlan, Bernadette Arrazola.</p> <p><b>Guests:</b>  Stanley Gbandawa, T. Rowe Price  Dustin Sparks, General Counsel  Amber DeCarli, General Counsel</p>
<b>Pledge of Allegiance</b>	<b>President Del Duca led the Pledge of Allegiance.</b>
<b>Reading of Mission and Vision</b>	<b>The group of attendees read the Mission and Vision statements.</b>

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

<p><b>Vice President Jimenez motioned to approve the February 23, 2021 agenda.</b></p> <p><b>Director Gatlin seconded the motion.</b></p>	<p><i><b>Motion to Approve February 23, 2021 Meeting Agenda</b></i></p>																															
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### **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

Mr. Stanley Gbandawa of T. Rowe Price presented how his company is offering Virtual Career Days to high school students. Mr. Gbandawa explained the program and provided a sample agenda for the four hour virtual sessions offered for 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The board members were pleased and would like to see GOAL move forward through Director of Student Support Services, Ramon Arriaga and the counseling teams across the state.

### **GOOD NEWS**

Regional Good News was presented by Southern Region Assistant Principal, Marcie Knezel and Southern Region staff including Samantha Smith, Frank Falsetto, Heather Gonzales, Shane Johnson, and Heather Coberly – Walsenburg and Trinidad Sites. Ms. Knezel pointed out that Walsenburg is currently serving 53 students and Trinidad 160 students. Pod activities including “social club” and “pictures of kindness” were highlighted.

### **BOARD TRAINING**

- No Board Training on the agenda.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

- Chief Academic Officer, Jill Toussaint, reviewed the academic report with updated numbers in all areas. Vice President Jimenez asked if comparison numbers could also be presented for additional context. Jill agreed she could provide this in future meetings.
- Chief Information Officer, Jamie Trujillo presented a slide show on the proposed new student information system – Powerschool. President Del Duca and Vice President Jimenez both made positive comments in regard to the presentation and new upcoming system. Dr. Jones added that frustration with the current student information system was the most common theme in recent site visits across the state.
- Chief Finance Officer, Deb Morton, presented the January financials and information on the ESSER Funds.
- Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Constance Jones discussed Strategic Planning update and scheduled a workshop for the next board meeting date – March 30, 2021 – at 2:30-4:30. The date and time worked well for board members. Dr. Jones also provided a vaccine update and a possible anonymous survey regarding vaccines. President Del Duca cautioned about the survey on vaccinations. Vice President Jimenez commented that his company had put out a similar survey.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

No board member reports.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Vice President Jimenez made the motion to approve the consent agenda.

Director Gatlin seconded the motion.

Approved items included:

- January 26, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.
- GOAL Financials – January, 2020

*Items Approved  
Consent Agenda*

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion Carried

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- No items were removed from the consent agenda.

**ACTION ITEM -A- FINANCIAL CONTROL POLICY (D1) REVISION**

Vice President Jimenez made the motion to approve the revision to the Financial Control Policy with edits from the discussion.

Director Gatlin seconded the motion.

CFO Deb Morton explained the revision to the policy. Edits to the policy were made and the motion carried to revise the policy with the edits.

*Items Approved  
Consent Agenda*

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion Carried

**ACTION ITEM – B- BUDGET RESOLUTION 21-02-23-A**

Vice President Jimenez made the motion to approve budget resolution 21-02-23-A.

Secretary Heiser seconded the motion.

CFO Deb Morton explained the resolution to pay for the first-year costs of the Powerschool student information system and money for a previous oversight in the budget.

*Items Approved  
Consent Agenda*

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion Carried

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**INFORMATIONAL**

➤ No informational items.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** (3 minute time limit)

➤ No public comment. President Del Duca reiterated that public comment is always welcome.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next board meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2021 – Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting – virtual only. Livestream @ [goalac.org/boardmeeting](https://goalac.org/boardmeeting)
- Board Workshop on Strategic Plan will begin at 2:30 pm prior to the regular meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

President Del Duca announced Executive Session for legal counsel (24-6-402(4)(a) and personnel matters (24-6-402(4)(f).

Secretary Heiser motioned to move into Executive Session.

Vice President Jimenez seconded the motion.

Dr. Constance Jones, Attorney Amber DeCarli, and Attorney Dustin Sparks were invited into the Executive Session.

Executive Session began at 6:05 p.m.

*Moved to go into Executive Session*

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion carried

Vice President Jimenez motioned to end the executive session at 6:36 pm.

Director Gatlin seconded the motion.

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Ab
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion Carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Regular Board meeting resumed at 6:37 p.m.

Vice President Jimenez motioned to adjourn the regular board meeting.

Director Gatlin seconded the motion.

Member	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Jerald Gatlin	X			
Luis Contreras				X
Jeremiah Heiser	X			
Nicolas Jimenez	X			
Ted Del Duca	X			

Motion Carried

The regular board meeting concluded at 6:38 pm.