



Tuesday, January 24, 2023

Location: Virtual

Video call link:

<https://meet.google.com/drt-beuh-qad>

THE GO BIG FOUNDATION

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Vision Statement

One day, all girls will have access to **great opportunities** in education.

Mission Statement

G.O. B.I.G. will provide an immersive STEM education for girls, fostering their academic achievement, entrepreneurial mindset, character development, social responsibility, and, ultimately, preparing them to excel in college and the world beyond.

Ethics Statement

As members of the Board of Directors of The GO BIG Foundation, we are responsible for adding value to Great Opportunities and Boundless Innovations for Girls (G.O. B.I.G.) and for contributing to the ethical success of the organization. As such, we commit to the following:

- We further the mission, vision, and goals of G.O. B.I.G. by engaging in activities that enhance its credibility and value.
- We uphold and adhere to the highest standards of ethical and professional behavior.
- We avoid engaging in activities that create actual, perceived, or potential conflicts of interest.
- We accept professional responsibility for our individual decisions and actions.
- We source and disseminate information ethically and responsibly.
- We foster inclusiveness and cultivate diversity in our organization.
- We develop, implement, and advocate for policies that promote equitable and just treatment for all.

(Adapted from [The Foraker Group](#))



Board Members

- Crystal Howe, Co-Founder & Board President (CPH)
- Erin Howe, Co-Founder & Board Vice President (EH)
- La-Diedre Matthews, Board Secretary (LM)
- Diamond Howell-Shields, Board Member (DHS)
- Dr. Brittany Anderson, PhD, Board Member (BA)

Guests:

- N/A

Agenda (6:30 - 8:30 PM)

Open Session

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by CPH at 6:39 PM.

2. Recitation of Vision, Mission, & Ethics Statements

The vision, mission, and ethics statement were recited by DHS.

3. Approval of Current Meeting Agenda

DHS moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by LM. Vote: Unanimously approved.

4. Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

[November 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)

BA moved to approve November 22nd meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by DHS. Vote: Unanimously approved.

5. Public Comments

Public comment is a time for the community to provide feedback to the Board of Directors. For in-person meetings, attendees must sign up at the start of the meeting if they desire to give a public comment. Each community member is limited to three minutes of comment, with a total time of up to 30 minutes allotted to public comments. During remote meetings, attendees may add their public comments to the chat feature which will



be sent directly to the Board of Directors. Board members will then share the comments with the meeting attendees for up to 10 minutes.

Public comment is also a time for the Board of Directors to listen to the feedback of the community. Board members cannot respond to public comments during the meeting.

However, the Board recognizes that each stakeholder is a vital part of our community and will take comments into consideration when making decisions, planning, providing feedback to administration, and completing committee work.

Public comments were not brought before the Board.

6. Facility Updates

CPH explained that our facility search is still underway. The option to purchase from Metrolina is no longer a viable option given their difficulty closing on their new facility. Neither Keller-Williams nor WeSellSchools were able to identify potential school facilities for GOBIG's use for the 2023 school year. EH shared that delaying the school opening for 1 year would allow the board to take advantage of current market trends. BA shared that she was in favor of delaying the school opening for one year given the recent changes with the board coupled with the status of the facility update.

7. Delayed Year Recommendation and Vote

LM moved to approve the motion to delay the opening of the school for one year. DHS seconded the motion. Vote: Unanimously approved.

8. January RTO Planning Session

- a. Next planning session is virtual on Wednesday, December 14, 2022.**
- b. Final session in-person in Raleigh on Wednesday, January 25, 2022**
- c. New Leaders Training Institute is in-person in Raleigh June 7-8, 2022**
 - School leader(s) and at least one board member must attend. (G.O. B.I.G. will provide food and accommodations.)**

GOBIG board members will not be required to attend the 2022-23 school year RTO Planning Sessions due to the one year delay request, however the board will be required to make up any sessions missed prior to the school's 2024 opening.



9. Closing Remarks

CPH charged the current board members to identify and recommend potential board members

Adjournment

EH moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by DH. Vote: Unanimous approval CH adjourned meeting at 6:57pm.