**NOTICE OF SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING FOR GULF COAST CHARTER ACADEMY SOUTH, INC.**

A GOVERNING BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON September 16, 2021, at 4:30 p.m., UTILIZING COMMUNICATIONS MEDIA TECHNOLOGY (“CMT”). THE CMT USED WILL BE THE FOLLOWING CONFERENCE CALL-IN NUMBER:

605-475-4000

Access Code-527036#

INTERESTED PERSONS MAY EITHER ATTEND THIS MEETING VIA CMT, OR, IN-PERSON AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

Gulf Coast Charter Academy South

215 Airport Pulling Road North

Naples, FL 34104

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THIS MEETING, OR, TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO BE CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT:

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THE MEETING WILL INCLUDE PERTINENT DISCUSSIONS/MATTERS PERTAINING TO GULF COAST CHARTER ACADEMY SOUTH.

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Mark made a motion to call the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

Roll Call:

**FORZA Education Management**

Chuck Malatesta, CEO

Rafael Mestre, Accounting

**School Board**

Mark McCabe, President

Helen Deitriech, VP

Adaer Carreno Lopez, Secretary

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Helen made a motion to approve the agenda. Adaer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

1. **Approval of Minutes: N/A**
2. **Old Business: None**
3. **New Business** 
   1. **Approve Teacher Increase Allocation Plan 21-22**

Mr. Malatesta stated the following: The Governor recently approved additional Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Funds for the 21-22 school year. These funds can only be used to increase teachers’ compensation and cannot be used for any other purpose. The amount of funds each school receives varies by county/school, and the increase for each teacher fluctuates depending on where a teacher is on the school’s pay scale. In addition, the amount and distribution process of the allocation is determined by the state. The funding increased by 10%; however, there are additional rules around the distribution in that up to 90.9% of the allocation must be used to maintain the raises from last year, and the remainder must be used to increase salaries in the same manner as last year. Unfortunately, the salary increases range from only 0.23% -1.061% due to these restrictions. FORZA created the Teacher Increase Allocation Plan using Building Hopes template. Mark asked if these funds would be available again for the next school year. Mr. Malatesta stated that he didn’t have any information regarding this but would inform the board as soon as this information becomes available. Mark Made a motion to approve the GC Teacher Increase Allocation Plan. Helen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

* 1. **Approve Recommended FORZA/Board Teacher Increase**

Chuck recommended an additional 2% raise to all teachers prior to the Teacher Allocation funds being distributed. He stated the Governors increase was very minimal and GC has the funds to assist its teachers by increasing their compensations. Instead of receiving a 0.23% -1.061% raise from the Governor, the teacher would be receiving a 2.23% - 3.061% raise. The raise would go into effect the next payroll period, and the Teacher Salary Increase Allocation Funds will be added and distributed to teachers in accordance with the state guidelines over the remaining pay periods. Mark and Helen both commented stating that they agree with the recommendation. Helen added that she appreciates FORZA’s continuing support of the teachers. Helen made a motion to approve the FORZA/Board recommended Teacher Increase. Mark seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

1. **Reports**
   1. **Principal’s Report N/A**
   2. **FORZA Education Management Report N/A**
2. **Public Comment-None**
3. **Comments from the Board** (non-agenda items only)
4. **\* Reconfirmation of Next Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021
5. **\*Adjournment**

Adaer made a motion to adjourn at 4:46 p.m. Helen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

\**Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors under Public Comments, are requested to sign-up with the recording secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting. Individuals are limited to three minutes to present their comments.*

*\*\*The Board of Directors will not respond to extended public comments during the meeting, however, will follow-up any comments presented, in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.*

Minutes from the Meeting will be available at the following location:

Gulf Coast Charter Academy South Website: GCCAS.ORG