**Forward Council Meeting**

**Monday, January 8, 2024**

**Meeting Minutes**

Membership:

Tameillia Cain

Justin Clay

Kristin Corkhill

Shunteka Curtis

Andre’ David

Tyreece Echols

Antwania Massey

Walter Putman

Ella Sizemore

Maureen Watt-Heron

Patricia Wilkins

Dr. Tavarez Holston (ex-officio)

Ms. Britnee Shandor (ex-officio)

* Opening of meeting called to order at 3:02 pm
  + December Meeting Agenda Approved.
* **Program Recommendations**
  + Submitted by Dr. Yarborough were approved by the Forward Council. To include: Social Work Assistance, Nurse Aide, and Game Development
* **Sub-committee updates**
  + Tyreece Echols-Rockdale Academy-Did not meet anticipated enrollment due to many students registering online. Classes which made it: CIST Classes; 3 or 4 credit classes where classes are on Tues and Thursday. Classes that did not make it: Early Childhood Education, and College Algebra

Security of the location still remains an issue which means the classes are not able to be expanded. Justin suggested speaking with Clint Bugle at the Learning Enforcement Academy to see if he could assist. Security issues for RCA have been discussed in Leadership meeting.

* **Old Business-Town Hall Recap**
  + Did not think virtual Town Hall meeting was a success
  + Suggest in-person Town Hall meeting which may allow for the speaking candidate or audience member/s to speak openly about concerns.
  + Continued discussions of ways to have a positive Town Hall meeting.
  + Suggest giving candidate/s time to prepare for the meeting to bring subject matter forward for review and approval by the Forward Council-Communication is key for the engagement.
  + Culture of GPTC was discussed in detail as to definition of GPTC Culture
  + Suggestion of the group to work with the Leadership team and Dr. Holston to re-establish a tone for the GPTC organizational culture.
* Motion to adjourn January 8, 2024 meeting, adjourn seconded at 3:07 pm