



FirstLine Schools Board Meeting Minutes
August 26, 2015
5:00 – 7:00 pm
Arthur Ashe Charter School - Library
1456 Gardena Drive, NOLA 70122

In Attendance: Gregory St. Etienne, Brian Egana, Alison Hartman, Derius Harrell, Monique Cola, Kim Henry, George Freeman, and Christian Rhodes

Absent: Stephen Rosenthal, Larry Kullman, and Louise Hobson

Staff in Attendance: Brett Hunt, Najah Shakir, Joseph Neary, and Claudia Barker

Public in Attendance: Max Daigh, LA Department of Education

Greg St. Etienne called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm.

1. Approval of Minutes from May 27, 2015 Board Meeting
 - A. Alison Hartman moved to approve the minutes from the May 27, 2015, Board of Directors meeting. Brian Egana seconded. The motion passed unanimously
 - B. Brian Egana moved to amend the agenda to allow Max Daigh from the DOE to present his material first. Christian Rhodes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Max Daigh presented the 2013-2014 Charter School Annual Review
 - A. Charter school ratings are based on academic, financial, and organizational factors
 - B. We anticipate that LHA will be eligible for a renewal and Clark for an extension.
3. Jay Altman presented the CEO update
 - A. 2014-2015 Academic Results update (without ELA and Math PARCC)
 - B. Progress toward college-ready benchmarks
 - C. Labor standards to be included in all RFPs.
4. Brett Hunt presented the Finance Committee Report
 - A. Reviewed June 30 financial summary and presented the FY 2016 budget
 - B. Greg St. Etienne moved to approve the 2016 budget as presented. Alison seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Alison Hartman presented the Governance Committee report
 - A. Alison Hartman moved to approve Resolution FLS-RSL-15-0010- the nomination of Michael Murphy to FirstLine Schools' Board of Directors. Kim Henry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- B. Brian Egana moved to approve Resolution FLS-RSL-15-0012 - the 2015-2016 Pupil Progression Plan. Kim Henry seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
 - C. Christian Rhodes moved to approve Resolution FLS-RSL-15-0013 - FirstLine Schools and Leading Educators agreement for services. Monique Cola seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Brian Egana presented the Facilities Committee Report
 - A. Status and update on the Monroe Street property
 - B. Derius Harrell will be the new chair of the Facilities committee.
 7. Claudia Barker presented the Development Committee Report
 - A. Reviewed final results for 2014-15
 - B. Reviewed and discussed Development Plan for 2015-16.
 8. Jay Altman presented the Advocacy Committee report and information regarding conditions that would facilitate potential transfer of governance to OPSB
 - A. Mark Eckhart has joined the FirstLine Schools' Advocacy Committee.
 9. Public Comments – none.
 10. Alison Hartman moved to go into Executive Session at 6:59 pm.
 11. Alison Hartman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 pm and Monique Cola seconded. The motion passed unanimously.