



FirstLine Schools Board Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2011
4:00 pm

In attendance: Gregory St. Etienne, Charleen Blache, Jerome Jupiter, Brian Egana, Alison Hartman, Darleene Peters

Absent: Larry Kullman, Cathy Pierson, Dana Peterson

Staff attending: Jay Altman, Adrian Morgan, Brett Hunt, Rebekah Cain, Kit Tollerson

Public in attendance: Dr. Bobbie Stevenson, Jeraul Mackey, Dr. Monique Cola, Nolan Marshall, Kim Negritte, Valery Green, Mark Grandpre, Shan P. Williams, and James A. Gilmore, Jr.

- 1) Gregory St. Etienne called the meeting to order at 4:10pm.
- 2) Approval of Minutes from February 23, 2011 Board of Directors Meeting
 - a) Charleen Blache introduced a motion to approve the minutes. Jerome Jupiter seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3) Finance Report
 - a) The Finance Report was presented by Adrian Morgan in Stephen Rosenthal's absence.
 - b) Adrian announced the receipt of a Walton Grant (\$250,000) for the high school as well as an i3 grant of approximately \$1 million which is for the high school's incubation and network development.
- 4) Facilities Committee Report
 - a) The Facilities Committee Report was presented by Brian Egana.
 - b) Jay led a discussion about the Monroe Street site and the potential future demolition of the buildings. The issue will be raised at the next Facilities Committee meeting (where the commercial realtor will be invited to attend) and at the April board meeting.
 - c) Interim Facilities Director, David Durand, started this month.
- 5) Governance Committee Report
 - a) Alison Hartman presented the Governance Committee report in Larry Kullman's absence.

- b) Alison Hartman moved for the Advocacy Committee to identify one Board member to work with each school's community advisory board (one liaison for each school), this group will create a sub-committee which would sit under the Advocacy Committee. Jerome Jupiter seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.
- 6) Advocacy Committee Report
- a) Jerome Jupiter presented the Advocacy Committee report.
- 7) Other business
- (a) School Development
 - (i) High School
 - 1. Jay presented the history of the communication with the Clark community and which culminated in last night's (March 22, 2011) meeting when the Clark Transitional Advisory Committee voted 7-5 in favor of working with FirstLine Schools to turn Clark into a charter school.
 - 2. Brian Egana moved to approve that FirstLine Schools ask the RSD to expand our charter agreement for operation of Clark High School grades nine through twelve rather than to operate a stand-alone start-up high school. This work will include significant involvement from a community advisory group composed of parents, alumni, and community members who can partner with FirstLine in the development of Clark High School as a charter school. The management team is authorized to take the necessary steps to expand the charter agreement. Darleene Peters seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
 - 3. The board discussed the location of the 9th grade.
 - (ii) Paperwork is needed from board members for state filing
 - 1. Rebekah presented the necessary paperwork and collected the forms after the meeting
 - (b) *System governance discussion briefing – moved to the next meeting due to time constraints.*
- 8) Presentation from Dibert Leadership Team
- (a) Sivi Domango (School Director), Alice Meyer (Primary Principal) & Diana Archuleta (Middle School Principal) presented on where Dibert is today and the process that brought them there.

Alison Hartman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:16pm. Darleene Peters seconded. The motion passed unanimously.