



FirstLine Schools Board Meeting Minutes
March 23, 2016
5:00 – 7:00 pm
Phillis Wheatley - Library
2300 Dumaine, NOLA 70119

In Attendance: Gregory St. Etienne, Brian Egana, Stephen Rosenthal, Alison Hartman, Monique Cola, George Freeman, Louise Hobson, Larry Kullman, and Michael Murphy

Absent: Derius Harrell, Kim Henry, and Christian Rhodes

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

Public in Attendance: Andre Perry, Ph.D. representing The Data Center; Stefan Lallinger, Langston Hughes Academy Middle School Principal

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

1. Approval of Minutes from January Board Meeting
 - A. Alison Hartman moved to approve the minutes from the January 29, 2016, Board of Directors meeting. Brian Egana seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Andre Perry, Ph.D. presented findings of The Data Center’s new report on *New Orleans Kids, Working Parents and Poverty* and asked that this information inform our decisions as a board.
3. Jay presented the CEO Update
 - A. Year-to-date attendance comparing 2014-2015 and 2015-2016
 - B. OneAPP Round 1 applicants
 - C. Policy and legislative updates
4. Brian Egana moved to approve Resolution #FLS-RSL-16-0017 which authorizes Jay Altman to file a “Friend of the Court Brief” or intervene in referenced to differentiated funding. George Freeman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Steve Rosenthal presented the Finance Committee Report, which included the pro-forma budget for 2016-17
 - A. Michael Murphy moved to approve the Finance Committee’s Report. Monique Cola seconded. The motion passed unanimously.



6. Joseph Neary presented the Facilities Committee Report and the Facilities Improvements plans for 2016-2017.
7. Alison Hartman presented the Governance Committee report
 - A. All board members must complete Tier 2 Financial Disclosure Forms no later than May 15, 2016
 - B. All board committees have submitted their goals for 2016-17
 - C. Governance deferred discussing updates to the By-Laws and plans to include this in the April Governance meeting.
6. Claudia Barker presented the Development Committee Report
 - A. Reviewed results against plan YTD.
7. Jay Altman presented the Advocacy Committee report and provided information regarding returning to OPSB oversight.
8. Stefan Lallinger, Middle School Principal, presented information on Langston Hughes Academy for school year 2015-2016
9. Public Comments – none.
10. Larry Kullman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm and George Freeman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.