

**Crescent Leadership Academy
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 17, 2013
4:30 pm @Crescent Leadership Academy
4300 Almonaster Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70126**

To join the meeting by phone:
Call-in toll number (US/Canada): 1-408-792-6300
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Board Members:

Present: Marlin Ford, Maurice Lightfoot, and Kevin Maney

Absent: Anthony Doty, Helen “Ginger” Berrigan, Jim Letten and Allison Albert

Others Present:

Tracy Joseph, CLA Superintendent/ ROP Education Director

Chauncey Nash, CLA Principal

CJ Bower, ROP CFO

Nancey Carter, ROP Education Business Manager

Proceedings:

I. Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 4:43pm (CST) by Marlin Ford.

II. Approval of April Agenda

Marlin Ford moved to approve the Agenda; Kevin Maney seconded the motion.

III. Approval of March Meeting Minutes

Marlin Ford made the motion to approve the August 20, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes. Kevin Maney seconded the motion.

IV. ESP Reports

a. Type 5 Charter Progress Report and Activities Calendar – Chauncey Nash

Dr. Nash gave the Type 5 Charter Progress and Activities Calendar Reports:

- 230 students have enrolled at CLA, with an average daily attendance of 140 students, and 160 students have physically been present at some point this year
- recently filled a teacher vacancy, still looking to fill a behavioral mentor vacancy
- Looking into partnering with Herzing University that would provide a professor to campus

- looking into an after school enrichment program that includes visual arts and culinary instruction
- CLA will hold first football game on Saturday, September 21 at Pan-Am Stadium against Lake Area High School. Team will play five football games this year.
- CLA holding Titan Fest on October 4th
- Assessment week is September 23-30

b. Financial Report –CJ Bower

CJ Bower presented the financial report:

- current funding is for 160 kids, anticipating getting funding for 200 after count day
- looking into repairing air conditioning unit; looking at lease agreement; CLA responsible for building maintenance, but lease agreement does not include the replacement of major units.

c. Executive Report-Tracy Joseph

Tracy Joseph presented the executive report:

- CLA had a van stolen on Friday night/Saturday morning on September 6/7. The van was recovered and held at an impound lot. Kevin Maney wrote a letter authorizing Chauncey Nash to take possession of the van from the impound lot.
- Discussed with Judge Berrigan about Anthony Doty's board membership, it is likely he will resign from the Board, has not done so as of the meeting.

V. Board Updates

a. Governance Committee Creation

The action item to create a Governance Committee was passed because there was not a quorum present to vote.

b. Update on Board Member Recruiting

Kevin Maney relayed icorrespondence from Judge Berrigan that the recruiting of a fundraising board member is ongoing. One candidate that was potentially interested is still doing his due diligence. Tracy Joseph said that he came on a tour of the school, and indicated to her he will not be joining the board, but is interested in getting involved with the school and board in some way.

Discussed ongoing need to recruit new members, Board currently at 7 members, which is minimum required by the Louisiana Board of Secondary and Elementary Education. Maurice Lightfoot stated that he may know an attorney who would be interested in joining the board or a committee.

Marlin Ford moved to adjourn the meeting, Kevin Maney seconded the motion. ***Meeting adjourned at 5:30PM CST.*** The next meeting is Tuesday, 10/15/13 @4:30 pm CST.

Minutes scribed by Kevin Maney.

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