

**Crescent Leadership Academy
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday, November 19, 2015
5:30 pm @ Crescent Leadership Academy
2701 Lawrence Street
New Orleans, LA 70114**

Board Members Present: Tommy Maginnis, Rachael Coe, Maurice Lightfoot, Brooks Duplessis-Barnes, Natasha Noah-Riley; Warren Atkins via phone

Board Members Not in Attendance: Jim Letten, Sean Ranson, and Dhruva Chakravorty

Participants from the Public: Kim Tubre-Delgado College

CMO Present: Nick Dean; Tracy Joseph, Nancey Carter, and CJ Bower via phone

- I. Roll Call @5:42pm
- II. Review and Approval of Agenda and September and October Meeting Minutes (No Quorum; moved to next meeting)
- III. ESP Reports
 1. Superintendent Report – Tracy Joseph (Discussion)
 - Nancey Carter to contact local counsel; Tracy Joseph and Maurice Lightfoot to meet with local counsel about SEAL group.
 - Patrick Dobar called and congratulated CLA on receiving extension. He would like to set up a meeting after the holidays.
 - ROP Executive Retreat in NOLA; fundraiser/friendraiser for CLA will be held at the Ritz—CLA Governing Board and staff are invited. ROP staff will participate in a community service project on Sunday, 1/24. Beau Bayou LLC will choose a local church that will work with our students to hold services at the chapel once renovations are complete.
 - RIF will not take place as student enrollment is increasing.
 2. Type 5 Charter Progress Report/Activities Calendar—Nick Dean (Discussion)
 - QA was good; just a few housekeeping issues
 - PBIS results came back very positive; much improved from last year
 - Teacher PD plan is the current focus in order to improve instruction delivery; working from the standards-based instructional model
 - Scheduled to lose 72 students at the winter break; students will be automatically rolled out of CLA. Parents need to be called so they can re-enroll their youth at the school.
 - Found a new landscaping service for \$17K less than current vendor.
 3. Financial Review—CJ Bower (Discussion)
 - Balance Statement: Some monies received from RSD; still unpaid \$192K; adjusted count because we've been overpaid based on estimated versus actual.
 - Income Statement: \$135K from prior months to accommodate the adjusted count, but SPED number will offset some of that. Feb 1 count will also help to offset as we continue to get new students. Operating expenses are under budget; Instructional

staff and Behavior Mentors are over budget due to teacher scale adjustment and lower student count. Under \$287K year to date.

IV. Board Updates and Action Items

1. Board Member Recruiting Update: Will follow up with Dr. C and Dr. Ransom; will continue to utilize the board bank; discussions with two board recommendations.
2. Delgado Youth Occupational Skills Training Presentation: Kim Tubre-Director (504-571-6465) discussed the YOST program and its components of pretraining offered to students between the ages of 18-24 funded through WIOA Jefferson Parish which offers training for at-risk youth to remove barriers to higher education. The program is totally free for the students and includes assessments, career workshops, training, mentoring, transportation tokens, etc. They also offer the following vocational certifications: Industrial Maintenance, medical assistance (OSCHNER alignment), CAN, and brown bag lunch sessions to share programs about workforce training.
3. Subcommittee Updates, if any (Discussion/Action)
 - a. Compliance/Governance Committee
Please be sure to attend meetings
 - b. Fundraising Committee
 - i. Other fundraising events
Parking lot rental for Mardi Gras parking lot, Saturday 2/6 @10:45am;
need to figure out logistics.
4. Future Agenda Items: none at this time.

V. Public Comment: none

VI. Adjournment at 6:30pm

Minutes transcribed by Nancey Carter for Maurice Lightfoot. ##