



**Crescent Leadership Academy
Regular Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday, August 17, 2017
5:30 pm @ Crescent Leadership Academy
2701 Lawrence Street
New Orleans, LA 70114**

I. Roll Call @ 5:37pm

Board Members: Warren Atkins, Jr., Maurice Lightfoot, Rachel Coe, Tommy Maginnis, Avery Foret, Amelie Wax

CMO Members: Reggie Coleman; Nancey Carter and CJ Bower via phone

Board Candidates: Will Snowden, Cassandra Williams; Liz Horn and Farah Parker via phone

II. Review and Approval of Agenda and June/July Meeting Minutes (Action) Tommy Maginnis made a motion to approve the Agenda, as well as the June/July Meeting Minutes, Maurice Lightfoot 2nd the motion; all in favor, so approved.

III. ESP Reports

1. Superintendent Report – Tracy Joseph (Discussion)

Teachers are hired for the new school year. Currently have seven Teachers, two Behavior Mentors, one Special Education teacher and a part-time Nurse. New Principal has also been hired. 47 students came on the first day. Chase Chance also came on the first day to welcome the students; he stayed all day to visit with the students. Credit recovery program has 22 students enrolled.

2. Type 5 Charter Progress Report/School Plan—Ms. Tracy Joseph was unable to attend the meeting, so this discussion is tabled until the next meeting.

3. 2017/18 Budget – CJ Bower (Discussion/Action)

Need to be at 120 students to make budget. Definitely need to take in more students than what we did in the past. To be on target with the budget, student count should be 120 at 10/1 and 140 at 2/1; these numbers will equate to about \$900 in revenue for the school and have a break-even budget. Salaries are based on new wage increases. Rollover costs would cover anything that came up unexpected that wasn't necessary last year. We could get expulsion students, which would raise the revenue or we could get an increased per pupil revenue.

Mr. Lightfoot asked if the breakeven budget is only for this year, not for the whole term of operation. Ms. Bower indicated that it is for this year.

Is there a contingency plan in case the student count is not what it needs to be? Yes, but it will entail cutting staff.

Ms. Bower also informed the board that the CMO fee is to pay for back of the house support operations, i.e. payroll, administrative, accounting, etc., and the CMO has written off the management fees.

IV. Board Updates and Action Items: September 7 next board meeting

1. Board Recruitment Update

- a. Ms. Cassandra Williams and Mr. William Snowden introduced themselves to the board and indicated why they wish to be on the board and what they feel they can bring to the school.
- b. Membership decision for Liz Horn and Farah Parker (Action)
The decision to elect Ms. Horn and Ms. Parker has been tabled until next meeting; also, need to add Mr. Snowden and Ms. Williams to the vote.
2. Subcommittee Updates, if any (Discussion/Action)
 - a. Fundraising Committee: Planning strategy for Spaghetti night in the Fall
Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread, dessert; set a goal for 100 (\$1K)
3. Future Agenda Items: Vote on budget and decide on all four potential board members

V. Public Comment

VI. Adjournment @6:33pm.

Minutes transcribed by Nancey Carter for Mr. Warren Atkins, Jr. ##