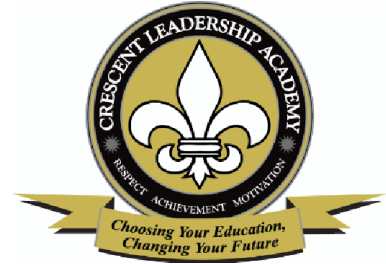


**Crescent Leadership Academy
Regular Board Meeting
530p @ Crescent Leadership Academy**



Call to order: 548p

I. Roll Call:

Warrant Atkins
Elizabeth Horn
Maurice Lightfoot
Avery Cootes
Tracy Joseph
Kisha Gaudin (Phone)
Tommy Maginnis (Phone)

II. Review and Approval of Agenda and November Meeting Minutes

- Tabled until next meeting

III. ESP Reports (Traci)

1. At 74 students
 - a. Should have more students after the second count
 - b. Averaging about 40-50 students per day
 - c. Receiving about \$20,000/month for revenue
 - d. Need to be selective what vendors we pay
 - i. Currently using one bus
 - ii. Implementing utilization of the vans
 1. That announcement raised some concerns for parents
 - iii. One security officer
 1. Security agency has concerns over just having 1 officer with the number of students as well as concerns due to their insurance policy
 - iv. A teacher may be relieved of her responsibilities tomorrow, Friday, January 25, 2018
 - e. There's been a focus on meeting with OPSB and understanding CLA's place in OPSB's portfolio
 - i. How do we support all of the schools during this transition
 - ii. It is important to be diligent and discrete about CLA's partnerships
 - iii. We currently fall under an alternative accountability framework however OPSB does not currently have one

- 1. Raises the question, How does CLA fit into OPSB's structure?
 - iv. CLA should broadcast our wins more to promote the positive brand of the school
 - v. There's a goal of posting a CLA billboard
 - 1. ~(\$900-\$1100)
 - f. A lot of CLA's concerns/difficulties come from lack of financials
 - i. The board needs to be intentional and creative in soliciting funds
 - ii. The board should also consider having their own buy-in for when funders ask the question, "how much has the board put in?" we have an answer
 - iii. The board needs to be looking for grants and something outside of a pledge to find funding
 - iv. It is time to be able to move forward from a position of talking about "what we don't have"
 - g. The board should come visit the school to see/meet with students, teachers, and staff
 - i. The board should set a meeting during the day so we can use that opportunity to visit school while it is in session
2. Financials—CJ Bower (Discussion/Action)
 - a. Review for now
 - b. Table until next meeting
 - c. We are still trying to recover some of the \$260,000 from RSD
 - i. There is another attorney looking into this issue on behalf of the board
 - d. Lease Agreement
 - i. The board needs to renew the lease for the property and will review before the Board President signs
 - ii. The lease needs to be signed for purpose of having the audit closed
 - iii. Nancey will be asked to share the lease with the board
 - iv. The landlord is looking for the renewal

IV. Board Updates and Action Items

- e. Subcommittee updates
 - i. More discussion about fundraising ideas
 - 1. Parking lot sales during parades (beware of liability/permit concerns), jazz brunch, concert
- f. Board Calendar
 - i. Need to consider changing the way we meet, do we need to meet more? Utilize e-mail more? Meet less?
- g. Future Agenda Items

- i. Board pledge sheet will be submitted by Mr. Atkins for the board to consider and commit to before the next meeting
- ii. A meeting the Monday before would be a helpful reminder
- iii. Look into a future mock trial program (Will)
- iv. Board career day
- v. Erosync [transportation] (Will)
- vi. Billboard marketing for school
- vii. Jazz Brunch

V. Public Comment

- None

VI. Moved by Mr. Atkins to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Avery

- Adjourned 6:47p