

KIPP New Orleans Board Meeting October 17, 2019

A public meeting of the Board of Directors (the Board) of KIPP New Orleans (KNOS) was held Thursday, October 17, 2019, at Booker T. Washington High School (BTW), 1201 South Roman, New Orleans, LA 70125.

The meeting was called to order at 5:55 pm. The following board members were present: Larry Washington, Drew Marsh, Donnell Bailey, Stan Duval, Jodi Aamodt, Steve Usdin (departed at 6:17), Roddrick Jones, Lauren Hitt, Kelt Kindick; Robert Hudson who arrived at 6:01 and Toya Barnes-Teamer who arrived at 6:10.

The following board members were absent: Sherice Clark and Bruce Hurley

The following KNOS staff members were present: Rhonda Kalifey-Aluise, CEO; Katie Walmsley, CFO; Todd Purvis, CAO; Elizabeth Masten, COO; Brad Rosenblat, Managing Director of Finance; Javier Cortez, Finance Director; Kevin Barnes, Managing Director of Engagement; Kristen Chawla, Director of Engagement & Events; Donna Paramore, Director of Development; Erika Lipoff, Director of Impact; Neia Limar, Executive Assistant; and Joey LaRoche, CSO who arrived at 6:24.

No additional persons were present.

Mr. Washington welcomed board members and staff to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Washington introduced a vote to approve the Board's meeting minutes from August 22, 2019. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Usdin and seconded by Mr. Kindick. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Academic Committee Report

Mr. Purvis began by expressing an overview of the changes in the assessments and standards over time and the impact of that on measuring progress. With the science assessment in place, he expects that this year was the last year of changing assessments. Mr. Purvis anticipates a release of statewide results to school systems on November 6. Mr. Purvis reported that KNOS continues to perform well vs K-8 peers and beat city trends. He explained the state's letter grade system and led a discussion on the measurement of student growth. He also reported a summary on the state of KNOS high schools and that FDHS remains a consistently high performing open-enrollment high school in the city. BTW faces similar growing school challenges that the former KRHS faced; BTW is not eligible for 75% of the components of the high school SPS formula. BTW ranks in the top 5 citywide for AP passing scores at open-enrollment high schools. Mr. Purvis will share a deep dive on current school performance at the board retreat using the KNOS scorecard system. Mr. Purvis concluded his report by sharing an update on progress to goal in the current year, based on the first round of interim data.

Finance Committee Report

Ms. Walmsley reported the FY19 audit is progressing as planned and should be completed by December. She invited Ms. Masten to share student enrollment numbers. Ms. Masten stated that KNOS is at 95.6% capacity. KNOS continues to see a gap in K-1 enrollment due to excess citywide seat capacity while continuing to backfill in middle grades. Ms. Masten noted that KNOS expects to see high demand as we scale high schools, evidenced by Douglass' fill rate and our 9th grade fill rate. Ms. Walmsley concluded this section of the meeting stating that KNOS is currently 36 students under budget with minimal impact on our financial position.

Development Committee Report

Ms. Aamodt asked Board members who had not completed their Individual Development Plan to do so immediately after the meeting. She also announced that KNOS is in the beginning stages of planning for the KIPP Gala which is on Friday, March 27, 2020. She invited Board members to purchase their tickets early and encourages members to identify sponsors and additional invitees.

Governance and Nominating Committee Report

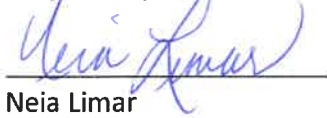
Mr. Bailey asked Board members to welcome the newest member to the KNOS Board of Directors, Mr. Jones, who in turn thanked the members for the opportunity to serve. Mr. Bailey reminded members to communicate their intentions to renew their positions as a KNOS Board member, prepare for the election of officers in December and to please suggest names for potential board members in the future.

CEO Report

Ms. Kalifey-Aluise recapped the success of the homecoming events for BTW and reminded members that FDHS will celebrate their homecoming festivities this weekend. She then extended an invitation to all to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new BTW facility on Tuesday, October 29. She advised members that the alumni of BTW, FDHS and JFK came together for a meet and greet which went very well. In closing, Ms. Kalifey-Aluise advised that the Orleans Parish School Board has a very important millage vote coming up in November. If OPSB votes to roll the millage forward, schools will get an additional \$400 per pupil. If OPSB does not roll the millage forward, then schools will lose about \$200 per pupil.

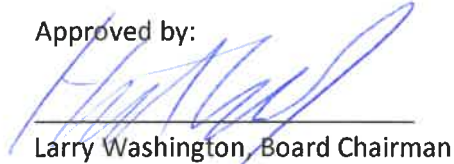
Because there were no guests, there were no public comments and Mr. Washington adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Neia Limar

Approved by:



Larry Washington, Board Chairman