

EDUCATORS FOR QUALITY ALTERNATIVES

DECEMBER 18, 2018 6:00 PM

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

CENTRAL CITY CAMPUS

1614 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd. New Orleans, LA 70113

1. OPENING

- a. Wayne Westerfield called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

2. ATTENDANCE

- a. Members
 - i. Present: Wayne Westerfield, Ivan Gill, Trey Ragan, Pat Judd, Nikki Woodridge, Darcy McKinnon, Donna Paramore (QUORUM)
 - ii. Guests: Kevin Jones, Meghan Rhodes, Nikki Brock, Morgan Ripski, Elizabeth Ostberg
 - iii. Absent: Michelle Brown, Trovae Profice, Tim Gray

3. VOTE ON MINUTES

- a. The November Meeting Minutes were approved, pending a striking of the mention of the approval of the 8th grade charter amendment, moved by Darcy McKinnon and unopposed. (unanimous)

4. PRESENTATION OF AUDIT REPORT: Kevin Jones

- a. Clean audit, no findings for 2018 or 2017, highest possible outcome
- b. High cash balance noted
- c. Positive change in fund balance
- d. Some items that were tested via the audit had exceptions, but nothing that rises to the level of a finding. Overall a clean audit.
- e. Next steps to provide clean copy and then to the state by December 31, 2018.
- f. Vote of confidence in the audit, no exceptions to its submission based on review: Patt Judd moved, Darcy McKinnon seconded, board approved unanimously.

5. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Trey Ragan

- a. Report presented and approved (Ivan Gill moved, Nikki Woodridge seconded, unanimous approval)

6. SCHOOL DIRECTOR REPORT: Elizabeth Ostberg

- a. In the middle of testing, not all scores returned
- b. New exams in science, US history, concern about scores
- c. Fundraising report - \$500 from postcard donations, \$1100 board donations, no new grants to report

7. STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT: Morgan Ripski

- a. Wayne Westerfield introduces and provides context - presenting a preview, board to vote in January
- b. Morgan presented growth plan overview and strategic planning committee recommendations, in draft form, to be approved at January meeting
 - i. Middle School Expansion
 1. OPSB approved expansion, 7 overage 8th graders are enrolled now
 - ii. Transforming an existing school campus
 1. **MOTION:** Board gives permission for Executive Director to continue to pursue negotiations with the board of the existing school organization, with the expectation that the two school boards would have a broad strokes MOU for approval at the January board meetings for those organizations. Darcy McKinnon moved, seconded by Donna Parramore, approved unanimously

iii. Childcare Program

1. MOTION to support Executive Director to continue to pursue the free drop in childcare center on the Gentilly Campus in 2020-21, motion by Pat Judd, seconded by Ivan Gill, unanimously approved.

8. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

- a. Staff party Friday 5pm @ Revolution/ Buktu, Darcy McKinnon to send reminder to the board

9. ADJOURN MEETING

- a. Meeting adjourned by Wayne Westerfield at 7:52