

InspireNOLA Charter Schools MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 13, 2018

The regular monthly meeting for the Board of Directors of InspireNOLA Charter Schools was held on the 13th day of September at 4:45 PM at the Network Office with the following members in attendance and participating: Wayne Crochet, Steve Boyard, Joe Ridolfo, Dana Wade, Shawn Rogers, James Dabney and MaryJo Roberts. Absent was Jay Daniels and Freddie King III. Staff present was Wylene Sorapuru, Jamar McKneely, Charlie Mackles, and Kristie Gonzalez.

The meeting was called to order at 4:49 pm and the following matters were discussed or acted upon:

1. Academic Report:

Items discussed and reported by Wylene Sorapuru included – an overview of the InspireNOLA School Performance Scores (SPS): Karr earned an A, McMain is now a B, Wilson remains a C, 42 is labeled a T for transition, but went up to a D from an F, and Harte is a B (Harte would have been an A under the old formula). All schools made growth with the exception of Karr.

Board members inquired about how InspireNOLA's performance relates to other CMOs. InspireNOLA remains the highest-performing open admissions network in New Orleans.

Items discussed and reported by Jamar McKneely included – a reflection on school visits to New Orleans area schools and feedback from student and teacher ambassadors about giving students more opportunities for independence through Innovation Wednesdays.

2. Finance Report:

Items discussed and reported by Charlie Mackles included – events that have necessitated a budget revision including MFP, a lower than anticipated enrollment count, and the differentiated funding formulas. The Budget Revision 1 calls for \$370,000 more of a deficit than what was submitted in July. Finance strategies for next year include getting to a sustainability model and increase enrollment. The Board had a brief discussion on an article shared by C. Mackles about the State's MFP formula.

MaryJo Roberts left the meeting at 5:45 pm.

3. Governance Report:

The Board reviewed the Bylaws, last revised in 2015, and held a brief discussion of term limits and other amendments including updating the address and other member requirements.

Items reported out:

Next Board Meeting – November 26 - 5:30 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office. There will be a vote on Karren Alexander joining the board at this meeting.

There being no further business, W. Crochet made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by S. Boyard. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

