

InspireNOLA Charter Schools MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 2, 2019

The regular bimonthly meeting for the Board of Directors of InspireNOLA Charter Schools was held on the 2nd day of December at 5:30 PM at the Network Office with the following members in attendance and participating: Karren Alexander, Wayne Crochet, Shawn Rogers, Dana Wade, Stephen Boyard, and James Dabney. Absent were MaryJo Roberts, Joseph Ridolfo, Freddie King III, and Jay Daniels. Staff present were Jamar McKneely, Wylene Sorapuru, Charlie Mackles, Emily Hartnett, and Kristie Gonzalez.

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm and the following matters were discussed or acted upon:

1. Academic Committee Report:

The Academic Committee Report was moved to the first item on the agenda so that a quorum could be present when a vote happened. Items reported and discussed by Stephen Boyard included – the Louisiana School Performance Scores for InspireNOLA schools in context and the internal audit of high school graduation files for all three InspireNOLA high schools. Board members asked questions about the frequency of the internal graduation audit procedure and procedures related to high school graduation files.

J. Dabney arrived at 5:39 pm.

2. Consent of Minutes:

The minutes were reviewed ahead of time from the meetings on September 23, November 19, and November 20.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to approve the minutes from September 23, November 19, and November 20. Motion by W. Crochet, seconded by S. Boyard. No discussion or public comment. Motion unanimously carried.

3. Finance Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Shawn Rogers included – the millage roll forward by OPSB and the Committee recommendation that the Board accept the annual external audit findings.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to accept and approve the 2018-19 InspireNOLA audit. Motion by S. Rogers, seconded by K. Alexander. No discussion or public comment. Motion unanimously carried.



4. Strategic Planning Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Karren Alexander included – an overview of the components of the InspireNOLA Strategic Plan, and clarification of the purpose of the Strategic Plan as a guiding document for the direction of the organization.

5. CEO Report:

Items reported and discussed by Jamar McKneely included – teacher recruitment and retention, the InspireNOLA student experience, enrollment, and the new Karr building construction. Board members asked questions about the Karr move-in date, Capdau's enrollment and facility, and teacher retention strategies.

Items reported out:

Next Academic Committee Meeting – February 4th – 4:45 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office.

Next Finance Committee Meeting – February 5th – 4:45 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office.

Next Board Meeting – February 17th – 5:30 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office.

There being no further business, S. Rogers made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by K. Alexander. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm.