



InspireNOLA Charter Schools
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2021

The regular bimonthly meeting for the Board of Directors of InspireNOLA Charter Schools was held on the 8th day of February at 5:30 PM as a Zoom videoconference in accordance with Act 302. The following members in attendance and participating: Wayne Crochet, Dana Wade, Shawn Rogers, Stephen Boyard, Karren Alexander, James Dabney, MaryJo Roberts, Freddie King III, and Jay Daniels. No one was absent. Staff present were Jamar McKneely, Charlie Mackles, Emily Hartnett, Wylene Sorapuru, and Kristie Gonzalez.

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm and the following matters were discussed or acted upon:

1. Consent of Minutes:

The minutes were reviewed ahead of time from the meetings on December 14, January 26, and January 27.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to approve the minutes from December 14, January 26, and January 27.

Motion by W. Crochet, seconded by S. Boyard.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

2. Academic Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Stephen Boyard and Dr. Wylene Sorapuru included – virtual and in-person learning updates, the State’s Interest and Opportunities Survey, and InspireNOLA parent training sessions. Board members asked questions about LEAP 2025.

3. Finance Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Charlie Mackles included – an update on a fraud event, options for a potential banking change, and the budget impact of another federal stimulus related to COVID-19. Board members asked questions about property taxes and the insurance auditing firm.

F. King III joined the meeting at 5:45 pm.

4. CEO Report:

Items reported and discussed by Jamar McKneely included – COVID testing and a staff vaccination survey, InspireNOLA community food giveaways, Let’s Geaux to College Day, and goals and planning related to the 21-22 school year. Board members asked questions about home meal delivery.

J. Daniels joined the meeting at 5:50 pm.

Items reported out:

Next Academic Committee Meeting – April 13th – 4:45 pm, location to be determined.

Next Finance Committee Meeting – April 14th – 4:45 pm, location to be determined.



Next Board Meeting – April 26th – 5:30 pm, location to be determined.

There being no further business, D. Wade made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by S. Rogers. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm.