



InspireNOLA Charter Schools
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2022

The regular bimonthly meeting for the Board of Directors of InspireNOLA Charter Schools was held on the 21st day of February at 5:30 PM at the Network Office with the following members in attendance and participating: James Dabney, Stephen Boyard, MaryJo Roberts, and Karren Alexander. Jay Daniels, Dana Wade, and Shawn Rogers were absent. Staff present were Charlie Mackles, Wylene Sorapuru, Latoye Brown, Kristie Gonzalez, and Jamar McKneely.

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

1. Announcement:

F. King III sent an email to the Board on January 3, 2022 to resign from the Board.

2. Privileged Motion:

a. One item up for approval

Motion to add the Facilities Use Resolution vote to the Board Agenda to add more clarity to InspireNOLA's facilities policy.

Motion by S. Boyard, seconded by J. Dabney.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

3. Consent of Minutes:

The minutes were reviewed ahead of time from the meetings on December 13, February 8, and February 9.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to approve the minutes from December 13, February 8, and February 9.

Motion by S. Boyard, seconded by J. Dabney.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

4. Academic Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Dr. James Dabney included – initiatives to engage scholars, teachers, and parents in student academic growth and mental wellness, upcoming Statewide testing, and the 22-23 proposed Academic Calendar.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to approve the 22-23 InspireNOLA Academic Calendar.

Motion by M. Roberts, seconded by K. Alexander.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

5. Finance Committee Report:

Items reported and discussed by Charlie Mackles included – the 2nd Quarter Financials, the filling of a new Finance position, updates on the CSP Audit, and adding the Chief of Strategy to the operating account signature card.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to add Latoye Brown to the InspireNOLA operating account signature card.

Motion by J. Dabney, seconded by M. Roberts.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

6. Facilities Use Resolution:

The Facilities Use Resolution was discussed at the Academic Committee meeting and shared with the full Board in the packet.

a. One item up for approval

Motion to approve the InspireNOLA Facilities Use Resolution.

Motion by S. Boyard, seconded by J. Dabney.

No discussion or public comment.

Motion unanimously carried.

7. CEO Report:

Items reported and discussed by Latoye Brown for Jamar McKneely included – COVID-19 procedures and mitigation efforts, the student recruitment marketing campaign, opportunities for students to lead, and staff retention efforts. Board members asked questions about InspireNOLA’s fiscal responsibility in multiple facility projects.

Items reported out:

Board members must submit their Tier III Financial Disclosures to the State by May 13th.

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

Next Finance Committee Meeting – April 6th – 4:45 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office.

Next Board Meeting – April 25th – 5:30 pm at the InspireNOLA Network Office.

There being no further business, M. Roberts made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by S. Boyard. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:54 pm.