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F.A.M.E., Inc.

Minutes

F.A.M.E. Board Meeting

Date and Time

Saturday January 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM

Location

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Directors Present

C. Lebas (remote), D. Mipro (remote), H. Leblanc (remote), J. Jalice (remote), R. Fernandez (remote), R. Kirschman (remote)

Directors Absent

B. Connick, C. Lawson, D. Omojola, J. Perez, L. Moran

Ex Officio Members Present

S. Corbett (remote)

Non Voting Members Present

S. Corbett (remote)

Guests Present

A. Collopy (remote), A. Dupre (remote), K. Bourgeois (remote), L. Spearman (remote), M. Butler (remote), M. Forcier (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

J. Jalice called a meeting of the board of directors of F.A.M.E., Inc. to order on Saturday Jan 22, 2022 at 10:02 AM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

C. Approve Minutes

R. Kirschman made a motion to approve the minutes from December FAME Board Meeting on 12-11-21.

R. Fernandez seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Action Items

A. Pre-K 3 Future at Audubon

R. Kirschman made a motion to maintain a lower capacity Pre-K 3 for the next school year.

D. Mipro seconded the motion.

Item was discussed at the last board meeting about decisions we need to make to remain financially sound and healthy with Pre-K 3. Models from Ed Ops aren't available yet as they take time to create, however, we have to make decision now because of OneApp applications. Research found 83 schools in NOLA and only 3 schools that offer Pre-K 3, which shows the reality of how costly Pre-K 3 is for schools and it's sustainability. Options include: maintaining Pre-K 3 as is, another option is to eliminate Pre-K 3 in its entirety, and third option is to maintain Pre-K 3 in a smaller capacity for the time being- reducing number of seats (5 at each campus) offered but keeping it alive to assess it further and until we get Ed Ops models to make more permanent and more strategic decisions.

Concern for eliminating it entirely is building it back in future years.

The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. CEO's Report

A. Academic Report

All campuses have remained in person; attendance rates are in good spot considering all things: over 70% and uptown over 80%. Winter MAP testing has still happened but adjustments have been made where needed for proctoring.

B. Operations Report

We have a tracker of the number of COVID cases broken down by week and campus. There is a downward trend as we're nearing the end of January. Campuses updated quarantine policies to follow CDC recommendations and Alisa explained difference between quarantine and isolation. Fully vaccinated now includes booster as well- not just 2 shots. We have held 2 vaccine events and will have 2 additional vaccines due to the mandate of persons 5 years or older to have at least one shot which starts on February 1st.

We will begin making changes to facilities and take bids. Gentilly needs new painting and bathroom updates. Uptown Milan has a chance to apply for LiveOak's building that will be available and whoever gets the building will have to reach named criteria given by NOLAPS. Building can hold up to 800 students, so the more space means more students, which will provide us with more MFP money and help us financially.

C. Development Report

December year-end giving totaled just under \$20k (we actually got an additional matching gift of \$1k after I submitted this report) and that we received two grants: pro Bono publico and jazz and heritage foundation. Submitted a grant for \$35k to RosaMary foundation too.

D. Parent Reports

PTO meeting was held this past week. Main issue they want to focus on is Teacher Appreciation and limited because fundraising has been limited the past two years due to COVID. PTO will reach out to principals to see what they can do to support the teachers.

E. CEO Remarks

No further remarks after Liveoak remarks.

IV. Closing Items

A. Announcements

Next meeting hope to be in person on February 19th.

B. Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Jalice

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