APPROVED

F.A.M.E., Inc.

Minutes

Board Meeting

Date and Time
Saturday January 21, 2023 at 9:00 AM

Location
Gentilly Campus
4720 Painters St.

Directors Present
B. Levine, C. Lebas, D. Mipro, K. Wilkins, L. Moran, R. Kirschman

Directors Absent
B. Connick, R. Fernandez

Ex Officio Members Present
S. Corbett

Guests Present
A. Collopy, A. Dupre, K. Bourgeois, L. Spearman, M. Forcier

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance

B. Call the Meeting to Order

R. Kirschman called a meeting of the board of directors of F.A.M.E., Inc. to order on Saturday Jan 21, 2023 at 9:18 AM.

C. Approve Minutes

K. Wilkins made a motion to approve the minutes from F.A.M.E. Board Meeting on 12-17-22.
C. Lebas seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

II. Action Items

A. Approval of Amended Pupil Progression Plan

C. Lebas made a motion to Approve the amended Pupil Progression Plan.
B. Levine seconded the motion.
Due at the end of the this month (January 1st). Students in 3rd or 4th grade who aren't at grade level will have to spend at least 30 hours this summer for remediation hours and is required by state. We will have to provide transportation if we hold this in person.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

B. Approval of the 2023-2024 Calendar

L. Moran made a motion to amend the agenda.
R. Kirschman seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
R. Kirschman made a motion to remove action item from the agenda.
L. Moran seconded the motion.
Calendar needs further discussion, so it will be moved to next meeting.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.

III. Discussion

A. Audubon Gentilly's Green Space

On Thursday we met with the city council at a community meeting pertaining to the Green Space at Audubon Gentilly. Five years ago the city acquired the space, but we just received an email in the fall of 2022 that they were going to put up a fence to make the space public. At the community meeting Steve provided two proposals to the community. One proposal was let us have exclusive access but community could have access at 3PM and weekends. The other proposal asked that Gentilly be given part of the property as a lease for a very low cost. Proposal two was preferred by the community and Gentilly families.

IV. CEO's Report

A.

Financial Report

Audubon is extremely close to finishing the financial audit for the 2022 financial year; we are waiting for a debt service waiver from Whitney Bank, which is delaying our finish and submitting it to the state. Board discussed with Steve signing off to pay Whitney $300,000 and recommends we make the payment before the end of the month. We're at 57 days of cash at November close.

B. Principal's Report

Uptown campuses just had DELF ceremonies; we had several studies pass and earn a DELF certificate. We have more kids taking it now than we had in the pass. Second trimester is coming to a close and teachers are meeting with families. There is a partnership between the 8th graders and kindergarteners Uptown. The 8th graders come and read to the kindergartners and they loved it. Our soccer team is currently in play-offs.

We have French students being hosted by our 8th graders and staying for a week. Black History celebrations at the campuses.

C. Development Report

D. Facilities Report

The Infrastructure Bill President Biden signed last year and some of that money went to energy grants for public schools. We asked NOLAPS to apply (because they own the building) but they already applied for another school that was Gentilly. We would use that money for chiller and heat pump system. They are now applying for Audubon Gentilly as well and if selected, we will not have to pay for any facilities repairs. They are having a community meeting on February 9th about the road repair on Painters Street, and repairs will begin at the end of February.

E. CEO Remarks

V. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting

L. Moran made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
K. Wilkins seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** to approve the motion.
There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,
R. Kirschman