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Voices for International Business and Education

Minutes

VIBE Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday February 18, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Location

727 Carondelet St., Community Room, New Orleans, LA 70130

Voices for International Business and Education http://public.boardontrack.com/VIBE_1

Directors Present

A. Tufail, G. Lazard, J. Lampton, K. Katner, M. Roney, P. Manson, S. Cunningham, S. Thomas

Directors Absent

S. Retzlaff

Directors who arrived after the meeting opened

K. Katner

Ex Officio Members Present

S. Wilson

Non Voting Members Present

S. Wilson

Guests Present

Ann Winchell, C. Young, D. Deno, J. Carreno, Karen Dwyer, M. Stewart, Sarah Olivier

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

M. Roney called a meeting of the board of directors of Voices for International Business and Education to order on Tuesday Feb 18, 2020 at 6:03 PM.

M. Roney called the meeting to order, pass the sign in sheet

C. Approve Minutes - January 2020 VIBE Board Meeting

G. Lazard made a motion to approve the minutes from VIBE Board Meeting on 01-15-20.

S. Cunningham seconded the motion.

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

D. Chair Report

Karen Dwyer and Sarah Olivier are recommended to become new board members.

Board will vote on KD tonight; SO will be interviewed at the governance meeting in March

There are two new candidates: one recommended by S. Retzlaff and one recommended by Stacey Cunningham: Leslie Scott from College Track and Keeanya Sean Wilson and Mariska Roney will be talking to them after Mardi Gras

E. Head of School Report

Two items to add to the report. Black History Celebration will be tomorrow from 11:30 to 1:30. It is an opportunity for students to celebrate and show their talents

New Orleans Advocate has requested information from our student information center and grading center. Our records show that we do not do grade replacements as it is illegal

We responded to the representative of the Advocate. We are looking at a new system for grading, the new system should offer fewer challenges to keep up with student information and grades. This is also part of the school climate transformation grant.

We got a response at from the State for the financial report for the year, it is also aligned with the goals

Ms Winchell is the new HoS assistant, she is finding better ways to receive more resources through grants and partnerships

II. Academic

A. Academic Report

The academic committee met and discussed the goals:

Monitor SPS

Streamline dashboard

Monitor Progress of ACT score

Members will meet Saturday 2/29 to discuss what the academic situation is at the school site and finalize dashboard information

In addition, we had reports from school staff from culture, academics, SPS

Do we have any indicators on how the efforts we are making are increasing scores?

We can't back it up with statistics and quantitative data at this point

It is very early to make this connection so we can't come to conclusions

S. Wilson thinks that there is a number of factors that impact the SPS scores. There is a number of positions that have been added. We need to see if the position impacted the scores. We will need another period of time to look at the information and see if there are any correlations. For example, Instructional coaches and the teachers coached.

III. Finance

A. Report of Finance Committee

Committee met yesterday 2/17.

The issue we need to be aware of is the MFP deficit, the discrepancy between the projected number of students and the actual one

We will see a new budget projected, this is an expected issue,

A. Tufail believes that the investments in educational coaches and ACT prep are well sounded and that will pay off

B. Vote to adopt January 2020 Financial Statements

A. Tufail made a motion to Accept the January 2020 Financial Statements.

G. Lazard seconded the motion.

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

IV. Facility

A. Report of Facilities Committee

K. Katner arrived.

Goals for the facilities committee:

Find out what OPSB wants to do with the building

Find options for funding

What are our options: We voted for this building. One option includes moving to a different building. This building is not taken care of by the OPSB.

OPSB will keep us to a 10000 copay; other options include negotiating a long term lease and fix it ourselves.

Need to have discussion with OPSB to establish with them what the plan is going to be.

If there is no commitment from OPSB then we need to have additional discussions

OPSB was committed to use their architectural vehicle to assess the site and it has not happened. The OPSB board members do not know where that is.

K.Katner thinks that the first plan is to talk to them and see where we are at

K. Katner thinks he found a highly qualified candidate to take over the chair of the Facilities Committee (Amer)

V. Governance

A. Report of Governance Committee

Potential board member Ms. Karen Dwyer. Ms. Dwyer is a former founding board member. She has the time and is committed to the goals, mission and vision of the school

The governance committee recommends admitting Karen

Governance is actively recruiting new board members

We seem to have a lot of female board members, if you have any male counterparts please bring them

B. Recommendation to admit Karen Dwyer as new Board member

J. Lampton made a motion to Admit Karen Dwyer as new Board member.

S. Thomas seconded the motion.

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

Roll Call

J. Lampton	Aye
G. Lazard	Aye
P. Manson	Aye
K. Katner	Abstain
S. Thomas	Aye
M. Roney	Aye
S. Cunningham	Aye
S. Retzlaff	Absent
A. Tufail	Aye

C. Vote on new Board Member committees

M. Roney made a motion to Admit Karen Dwyer as member of Finance as Development Committees.

P. Manson seconded the motion.

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

VI. Development

A. Report of Development Committee

Development sent the pledge forms

The Development Committee has been provided with an update from Ms Williams about the Gala, March 28th. We have 7 sponsorships, 10 silent auction items

If there are any opportunities of silent auction items please let us know

If you have any connections please share with Ms. Williams

Call for additional sponsorships and silent auction items, gift baskets

S. Thomas wonders are we are going to do the chef on-site as we did a couple of years ago but that is not scheduled for this event.

Per our last discussion, we were interested in participating in Wednesdays at the Park.

We need 10 people for a beer booth. We need to be there at around 4:30 to set up as the event starts at 5.

The event is from 5:00 to 8:00. Stacey will be there for 4:30 to help set up

This is a good time to pass out some flyers. It is right before the Give Nola event.

Please mark your calendar for April 29th to support during this event

What is our specific objective, what are we trying to accomplish here?

Given the proximity of the school, it should be promoting Give Nola Day and a free opportunity to raise awareness of IHSNO

Next committee meeting will be to discuss exactly the language and what we want to communicate

VII. CEO Support And Eval

A. Report of HOS Evaluation Committee

Not much changes in HOS evaluation. Ms Roney will meet with S. Wilson to discuss final details

VIII. Public Comment

A. Request for Public Comment

No public comments

Jennifer has the evaluation forms, members can complete them after adjourning the meeting

IX. Closing Items

A.

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
M. Roney