



Living School

Minutes

Living School Board Meeting

Date and Time

Tuesday December 17, 2019 at 7:15 PM

Location

Living School, 6003 Bullard Ave., New Orleans, LA 70128

All are welcome at Living School Board Meetings. Translation is available with 24 hours notice. Public comment is welcome on any item on the agenda. Members of the public wishing to comment, may raise their hand and be recognized by the Board Chair to speak for up to 2 minutes per person, per agenda item. On any matter up for a vote, public comment must be heard prior to taking the Board's vote. For members of the public wishing to address the Board for longer than 2 minutes on any given agenda item, please give the Board Chair at least 24 hours notice to be added to the agenda.

Directors Present

D. Lister, D. Mitchell, I. Bamgbàlà Arèsà (remote), J. Wagner-Romero, M. Lehnherr, P. Roussel, R. Ashmore, T. Millard

Directors Absent

B. Holmes-Nick, I. King-Robins, J. Ojo, M. Davis, N. Kyle

Guests Present

J. Daschbach, Leah Lonzo, S. Pasternak, Tracy Slmon

I. Opening Items

A. Record Attendance and Guests

B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Lister called a meeting of the board of directors of Living School to order on Tuesday Dec 17, 2019 at 7:22 PM.

C. Approve Minutes from previous Board Meeting

II. Academic, Culture, & Evaluation Committee

A. Committee FY20 Goals

The Committee is compiling CEO evaluation data into a summary report to provide Stefin with goals for use in school improvement and strategic planning. Full memo is expected in advance of next Board Meeting.

B. CEO Report

See report attached to Meeting agenda.

Jancarlos raised a concern over suspension rates. Stefin committed to have our Director of Student Life prepare a presentation for the Board to outline the process for how we reach decisions on consequences with students.

Any schedule changes need to be clearly communicated to parents and community.

We are not happy with school food service provider and are working with Revolution Foods to provide them feedback on quality. Pepper will connect with Stefin and Joe to discuss more options. Joe will reach out to HSFC about the RFP process and looking forward to next year.

III. Finance & Development Committee

A. Committee FY20 Goals

B. Finance Dashboard & Report

See attached Finance Report, financial statements and dashboard.

NSNO has offered us additional funding for teacher coaching. We are exploring the options that are available to us.

We are exploring financial investments in security and will be exploring what is appropriate with the Family council.

IV. Governance Committee

A. Committee FY20 Goals

B. Board Officer Succession

Mark and India's terms as officers expire in January 2020. Governance committee will make recommendations to the Board at our January meeting for leadership succession. Interested Directors should reach out to Tris and Dr. Lister to discuss their interest.

We will start encouraging Directors who haven't been able to be regularly engaged to either recommit to regular attendance or resign from the Board.

C. Plans to continue improving Board engagement, effectiveness, & independence

V. 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 8:41 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

D. Lister