# International School of Louisiana Board of Trustees

# **Minutes**

# **Board Meeting**

#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday June 24, 2015 at 6:00 PM

#### **Trustees Present**

B. Griffin, B. Richard-Montgomery, C. Reed, D. Drucker, D. Wilson, J. Wettermark, M. Lappa

## **Trustees Absent**

D. Bordson-Bozzo, H. Rodgers iv, M. Pedalino, V. Diaz

#### **Guests Present**

Adierah Berger, Andrew Roland, Aviva Le, Emily Thomas, Ghislaine Caney, Jairo Maldonado, Karla Marie Cochran, Laura Adelman-Cannon, Melanie Tennyson, Robert Morris

# I. Opening Items

## A. Record Attendance and Guests

## B. Call the Meeting to Order

D. Wilson called a meeting of the board of trustees of International School of Louisiana Board of Trustees to order on Wednesday Jun 24, 2015 at 6:10 PM.

# C. Board President's Comments

There were no public comments.

## D. Approve Minutes

- B. Richard-Montgomery made a motion to approve minutes from the Annual Board Retreat on 06-06-15 Annual Board Retreat on 06-06-15.
- D. Drucker seconded the motion.

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

# **E.** Approve Committee Minutes

- B. Griffin made a motion to approve minutes from the Finance Committee Meeting on 06-16-15 Finance Committee Meeting on 06-16-15.
- J. Wettermark seconded the motion.

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

# F. Approval of Minutes

- B. Griffin made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 05-27-15 Board Meeting on 05-27-15.
- J. Wettermark seconded the motion.

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

# **G.** Approve Committee Minutes

- B. Griffin made a motion to approve minutes from the Finance Committee Meeting on 12-09-14 Finance Committee Meeting on 12-09-14.
- J. Wettermark seconded the motion.

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

## H. Approve Minutes

- B. Richard-Montgomery made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 05-27-15 Board Meeting on 05-27-15.
- D. Drucker seconded the motion.

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

# **II. Other Business**

#### A. Open Public Comment

There were no public comments.

#### B. Q & A With Head of School - HOS Report

Ms. Tennyson, announced the start of the fall semester on Aug. 17th for grades 1-8, Aug. 19th for kindergarten. Total enrollment on 6/1/15: 1,309. Science scores for 8th grade were 3rd highest in the city. An area of concern is 3rd grade reading scores, across all three schools. 2-3 days of special ed. focused academic retreat is soon to follow. Ms. Cochran has begun process of finding an high-level executive for Development Dept. Facilities renovation begins in Nov. The gates at Bunche campus are now automated. The CMO offices have moved to Bunche campus with two exceptions. The public budget hearing was held June 16th. Senate bill 267 passed providing more funding for special need students with a financial impact at Bunche of \$145,000 and \$285,000 at Camp St. Camp St. building 10 yr. lease has been renewed. Mobile Chamber of Commerce visited ISL in preparation for education with a "global focus". Bunche School received a \$30,000 donation for playground equipment.

C.

# Finance - Vote to approve 2015-16 Budget

- M. Lappa made a motion to approve 2015-16 budget.
- C. Reed seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Duane Drucker said that because of Bill 267, this budget will be amended closer to the beginning of the school year.

Mr. Drucker, head of the Finance Committee, requests that the Board vote for approval of the budget "as is". Closer to the school year the budget will need to be amended as the result of Senate bill 267.

## D. Vote to Approve Bd. President Signing of Lease Renewal

- B. Richard-Montgomery made a motion to approve the President of the Board of Trustees to sign the lease renewal for the Camp St. Campus.
- D. Drucker seconded the motion.

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

After Board approval, Ms. Wilson signed the Camp St. building lease and Mr. Lappa witnesses the signing.

#### E. Board Members New Terms

- M. Lappa made a motion to approve a second three-year term of the Board of Trustees for Dominique Wilson and David Bordson-Bozzo.
- C. Reed seconded the motion.

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

While Mr. Bordson-Bozzo was not able to be at the Board meeting, he gave Mr. Lappa his agreement to serve another three years as member of the Board of Trustees.

## F. Open Public Comment

Mrs. Griffin gave an update on the "Safe Routes to School" grant.

#### **III. Executive Session**

## A. Review of an Employee Greivence & Vote

- M. Lappa made a motion to move to Executive Session in order to review an employee grievance.
- B. Richard-Montgomery seconded the motion.

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

- J. Wettermark made a motion to not hear the employee grievance.
- D. Drucker seconded the motion.

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

## IV. Closing Items

A.

# **Adjourn Meeting**

- B. Richard-Montgomery made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Trustees at 6:47pm.
- D. Wilson seconded the motion.

The board **VOTED** unanimously 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 7:47 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Griffin