

# International School of Louisiana Board of Trustees

## Minutes

### Board Meeting

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#### **Date and Time**

Wednesday December 9, 2015 at 6:00 PM

#### **Location**

Camp Street

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#### **Trustees Present**

B. Griffin, B. Richard-Montgomery, C. Reed, D. Drucker, D. Wilson, H. Rodgers iv, J. Wettermark, L. Muetzel, M. Lappa, M. Pedalino, V. Diaz

#### **Trustees Absent**

D. Bordson-Bozzo

#### **Guests Present**

Alicia Serrano - Uptown Messinger, I. Staff, M. Tennyson, S. Chapman

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### **I. Opening Items**

#### **A. Record Attendance and Guests**

Board Member, Mrs. Larissa Muetzel, did not participate in voting during this meeting until just before we adjourned as she was voted onto the board, and then, voted in the last vote.

#### **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 Dec 9, 2015 at 6:00 PM.

#### **C. Board President's Comments**

Mrs. Wilson commended Mrs. Tenneson and her staff for putting together the plan in January to transition ISL middle school to the John Dibert Elementary School located at 4217 Orleans Ave. while the Camp St. campus undergoes renovations. The transition plan was well thought out and well organized.

#### D. Approve Minutes

M. Lappa made a motion to approve minutes from the Board Meeting on 10-28-15 Board Meeting on 10-28-15.

H. Rodgers iv seconded the motion.

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

##### Roll Call

B. Richard-Montgomery	Aye
M. Pedalino	Aye
C. Reed	Aye
V. Diaz	Aye
M. Lappa	Aye
A. Yon	Aye
M. Amoss	Aye
B. Griffin	Aye
H. Rodgers iv	Aye
D. Wilson	Absent
D. Bordson-Bozzo	Aye
D. Drucker	Aye
J. Wettermark	Aye
L. Muetzel	Abstain

#### E. Approve Strategic Planning Committee Minutes

B. Griffin made a motion to approve minutes from the Strategic Planning Committee Meeting on 12-07-15 Strategic Planning Committee Meeting on 12-07-15.

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

- Mrs. Tennyson said that enrollment has held the same for the last couple of months, except for the addition of 2 students.
- ISL is scheduled to receive the Exemplarily Language Emersion School Award.
- ISL is awaiting the School Performance Scores next week. We are expected to do very well.
- "Google Expeditions" will go to the Bunche campus as they are looking for a school to beta test their product, three dimensional videos, where our students can visually experience other cultures, such as, India and Antarctica.

- Mrs. Tenneyson and Mrs. Cochran attended the Rotary Club and received a grant for \$16,250. ISL will purchase Chrome Books with this grant money.
- The renovation of the Camp St. campus will begin on March 1st, 2016. The end date is April, 2017.
- The JPSB will be taking over the Bunche Campus in 2017. ISL is now actively looking for a new location and meetings are arranged with the Archdiocese to formally discuss renting a school in Jefferson Parish.
- The financial audit is in progress.
- The school climate survey has gone out.
- The second "Coffee and Croissant" meeting produced terrific conversations and exchange of ideas.

### C. Finance - Updates

Mr. Drucker said that the Finance Department is trying to complete the external reporting in order to have financials to review in committee.

### D. Policy - Sexual Harassment

J. Wettermark made a motion to approve the Sexual Harassment Policy.

M. Lappa seconded the motion.

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

1. Mrs. Chapman said that ISL was chosen, at random, to review the risk assessment, all the policies and procedures. There were two things found to be missing in the ISL Sexual Harassment Policy.
2. ISL actually located an existing policy and did not need to produce a new one.
3. ISL did need to adopt a formal Misconduct and Abuse policy based on a model that came from our insurance company. It was reviewed by ISL administration and all staff, as well as the attorney of the Greater New Orleans Charter School Collaborative.

B. Richard-Montgomery made a motion to amend the agenda in order to vote on new board member, Larissa Muetzel.

C. Reed seconded the motion.

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

M. Lappa made a motion to accept Larissa Muetzel for a three year term of service on the ISL Board of Trustees.

J. Wettermark seconded the motion.

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

### E. Open Public Comment

"**BIZ NEW ORLEANS**, Dec. 2015, wrote an article about ISL in the **INSIDE THE INDUSTRY - 2015** about the history of ISL, our mission, who we educate, how we educate, our diversity, and our many awards in education.

### III. Closing Items

#### A. Adjourn Meeting

L. Muetzel made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

C. Reed 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 6:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

B. Griffin