APPROVED

Redesign Schools Louisiana

Minutes

ReDesign Schools Louisiana Regular Board Meeting

Date and Time
Thursday November 19, 2020 at 5:30 PM

Location
Via Zoom

Directors Present
A. McGaha (remote), G. Pope (remote), J. Miller (remote), N. Gillam (remote), P. Baldwin (remote), R. Orso (remote)

Directors Absent
M. Mullen

Guests Present
A. Beck (remote), Ashley Eason (remote), C. Knotts (remote), Ivionne Divinity (remote), Kathryn Rice (remote), T. Rivera (remote)

I. Opening Items

A. Call the Meeting to Order

G. Pope called a meeting of the board of directors of Redesign Schools Louisiana to order on Thursday Nov 19, 2020 at 5:48 PM.

B. Record Attendance and Guests

II. COMMUNICATION

A. Public comment on agenda items

B. Public comment on non-agenda items

C. Motion to approve the minutes from the August 27th, 2020 Board Meeting

N. Gillam made a motion to approve the minutes from ReDesign Schools Louisiana Regular Board Meeting on 08-27-20.
P. Baldwin seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

J. Miller	Aye
G. Pope	Aye
A. McGaha	Aye
R. Orso	Aye
N. Gillam	Aye
P. Baldwin	Aye
M. Mullen	Absent

III. Items Scheduled for Action

A. Motion to approve the unaudited financials through Sept 30th, 2020

At this time, I. Divinity briefed the board on the unaudited financials through September 30th, 2020.

A. McGaha made a motion to approve the unaudited financials through Sept 30th, 2020.
R. Orso seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

A. McGaha	Aye
G. Pope	Aye
P. Baldwin	Aye
R. Orso	Aye
N. Gillam	Aye
M. Mullen	Absent
J. Miller	Aye

B. Motion to approve the proposed amended budget for the 2020-2021 academic school year

At this time, A. McGaha briefed the board on the amended budget and explained that although the budget was approved, it was understood that the budget would get amended. The original budget changed net assets associated with each school, although all the schools are marginal is based on student count. Dalton has a deterioration of 148,000, which means they will have to go into the reserves. The finance committee met prior to the regular meeting and heard out a proposal from A.Beck, who recommended not to go into the reserves at this time until this deficit gets smaller.
A.Beck's proposal recommends a decrease in the management fee from 10% to 6% at Dalton. A. Mcgaha agreed that this would reduce this deficit at Dalton by 126,000; however, Dalton will still be in the negative. G.Pope advised about taking a close look at the budget every so often.

A. McGaha made a motion to to approve the budget as amended and proposed by the finance committee.
P. Baldwin seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

N. Gillam	Aye
M. Mullen	Absent
P. Baldwin	Aye
R. Orso	Aye
A. McGaha	Aye
G. Pope	Aye
J. Miller	Aye

C. Motion to approve Redesign Schools Louisiana's student records/ privacy policy

At this time, A. Beck briefed the board on the rewriting/revisiting of RSL's student records/privacy policy.
A. McGaha made a motion to approve Redesign Schools Louisiana's student records/ privacy policy.
N. Gillam seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

M. Mullen	Absent
G. Pope	Aye
N. Gillam	Aye
R. Orso	Aye
P. Baldwin	Aye
J. Miller	Aye
A. McGaha	Aye

D. Motion to approve an update to the COVID manual regarding questionnaire for employees planning to travel out-of-state

At this time, A. Beck briefed the board on the changes that were made to the questionnaire for employees planning to travel out-of-state.
N. Gillam made a motion to approve an update to the COVID manual regarding questionnaire for employees planning to travel out-of-state.
R. Orso seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call	
G. Pope	Aye
R. Orso	Aye
M. Mullen	Absent
N. Gillam	Aye
J. Miller	Aye
A. McGaha	Aye
P. Baldwin	Aye

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR RECEIPT/INFORMATION

A. Principals' report on education: instructional, operational, and updates on current events

At this time, A. Johnson, Principal at Lanier Elementary, briefed the Board on all 3 schools.

1. The biggest challenge has been attendance- attendance has improved at all 3 schools.
2. Enrollment at Glen Oaks increased, enrollment at Lanier 270, and enrollment at Dalton is trailing right behind.
3. Health screens daily along with temperature checks at each school daily
4. Sanitation stations throughout the schools
5. Random temperature checks throughout the day. No major instances at any of the school sites
6. Diagnostics testing complete at all campuses
7. Interim testing will take place soon.

J.Sims, Principal at Glen Oaks, advised the board about the attendance of current face to face students; they are coming to school daily, and virtual learning attendance has also increased.

N.Gillam inquired about the percentages of students that are attending online.

- J.Sims advised that the percentage of virtual students at Glen Oaks is 24-34% per grade level.
- J.Faulk advised that Dalton has about 15% schoolwide
- A.Johnson advised that Lanier has about 10% schoolwide

B.

Superintendent's report on district wide operations

At this time, A. Beck briefed the board on the following:

1. Attended a meeting with EBR, who did not officially say that the schools would be going back to EBR, however, the conversation was with the notion that the schools will be going back to the local district.
2. Met new EBR Superintendent

At this time, P. Baldwin inquired as to the type of charters. A.Beck explained.

C. CMO Report

At this time, C. Knotts presented the annual CMO report to the Board (provided via email)

1. Provided background and relationship between ReFONTE and RSL
2. Summarized annual report of services for our 3 schools
3. Provided timeline of events since the inception of RSL and ReFONTE
4. Expressed concerns regarding enrollment influenced by academic performance. Recommended that Redesign Schools Louisiana establishes an academic committee.

V. Closing Items

A. Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 26th, 2020 at 5:30 pm Location: TBD

B. Adjourn Meeting

G. Pope made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting.
P. Baldwin seconded the motion.
The board **VOTED** unanimously to approve the motion.

Roll Call

R. Orso	Aye
J. Miller	Aye
N. Gillam	Aye
M. Mullen	Absent
G. Pope	Aye
P. Baldwin	Aye
A. McGaha	Aye

There being no further business to be transacted, and upon motion duly made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
T. Rivera