

KIPP New Orleans Board Meeting October 25, 2018

A public meeting of the Board of Directors (the Board) of KIPP New Orleans (KNOS) was held Thursday, October 25, 2018, at the KNOS School Support Center, Myrtle Banks Building at 1307 Oretha Castle Haley Blvd.

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 pm. The following Board members were present: Stan Duval, Sherice Clark, John Landrum, Robert Hudson, Jodi Aamodt, Donnell Bailey, and Drew Marsh who arrived at 6:00.

The following Board members were absent: Steve Usdin, Larry Washington, Bruce V. Hurley, Toya Barnes-Teamer, and Kelt Kindick.

The following KNOS staff members were present: Rhonda Kalifey-Aluise, CEO; Matt Lehigh, CFO/COO; Joey LaRoche, Chief Strategy Officer; Brad Rosenblat, Managing Director of Finance & Accounting; Katharine Schweighardt, Managing Director of School Operations; Kristen Chawla, Director of Engagement & Events; Javier Cortez, Director of Finance and Cerise Martin, Director of Community and Governmental Relations.

The following guests were present: Katie Walmsley, Gamil Nassar, Brandy Sylve, and Amnitha Appaswami.

Mr. Duval welcomed board members, staff, and guests to the meeting.

Mr. Duval deferred a vote on the August meeting minutes, as a quorum had not yet been established. A quorum was established upon the arrival of Mr. Marsh.

Academic Committee Report

Mr. Purvis presented the Academic Committee report, which included an overview of current enrollment, as well as student attrition, factors that contribute to attrition, and the impact these factors make on a school's overall academic outcomes. Mr. Purvis presented matriculation data for KIPP middle school students matriculating to KIPP Renaissance High School and KIPP Booker T. Washington High School. Projected SPS scores and letter grades were also discussed. Mr. Purvis provided an overview of the Bard Early College Academy at KIPP Renaissance High School and highlighted the recent matriculation ceremony held there in September.

At the end of the Academic Committee report and following the establishment of a quorum by the arrival of Mr. Marsh, Mr. Duval turned to the approval of the August meeting minutes. Mr. Marsh made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Aamodt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Finance Committee Report

Mr. Marsh opened the Finance Committee's report, noting the fund balance and that this year's audit is in progress. Mr. Lehigh then summarized the report and provided an update about the close of FY18. The two Believe campuses will join as a K-8 when they move into their new building in March. By summer 2019 all KIPP schools will reside in a permanent facility.

FY19 Revised Budget Presentation

Mr. Lehigh presented a revised FY19 budget due to increased enrollment across KNOS, which will require a board vote and approval at the December meeting.

Development Committee Report

Ms. Aamodt delivered the Development Committee report. She shared the various ways the board can engage in development which include hosting an event in their home, hosting the two alumni events, recruiting new guests for the gala as well as attending the gala.

Governance and Nominating Committee Report

Mr. Landrum delivered the Governance and Nominating Committee report. He outlined the goals for the committee which include building a pipeline of new members as well as building a pipeline for board leadership among existing members. He encouraged members to meet board candidate Lauren Hitt before the December meeting.

Strategic Planning Committee Report

Ms. Kalifey-Aluise presented the goals for the committee which include succession planning and annual CEO performance review. The committee also has plans to examine teacher retention and compensation.

CEO Report

Ms. Kalifey-Aluise presented the CEO report and reminded the board about the continued search for a Chief Operating Officer. She then introduced Ms. Schweighardt who presented the annual risk management policies and procedures KNOS adheres to during daily operations.

Following the conclusion of the CEO report, Mr. Duval noted that the guests did not wish to address the board, rendering the comment period unnecessary. Mr. Hudson made a motion to end the meeting and Ms. Aamodt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Mr. Duval adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Kristen Chawla

12/6/18

Approved by:


Stan Duval, Board Vice Chairman