

Lake Eola Charter School
Board of Directors
Minutes
For January 19, 2011

Members Present: Jordan Clark, Victoria Shade, Pete Clarke, Jim Craner, Mary McCormick, Ronnie DeNoia

Absent: Jeff Bush, Deanna Guiseppi

Visitors: Cindy Hamilton (PTSA Rep.), Ed Langdon, Sharon Morell

Meeting commenced at 5:38 p.m. & adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Motion to approve November 2010 minutes was unanimous.

Motion to approve November 2010 Confidential minutes was unanimous.

Old Business:

Building: R.DeNoia asked if we should leave this category on the agenda or remove it. J.Clark suggested it remain on the agenda in case anything comes up that requires discussion. BOD agreed.

Strategic Planning Committee: M.McCormick stated that there are a couple of changes needed. One in the Technology area & that the goal of acquiring a building is now met so input is requested to help with revising goal. Discussion held. J.Clark will send M.McCormick some language to add to the plan & BOD can approve the plan at the next meeting.

Fundraising: S.Morell reported that she has a meeting with Lisa Early at the end of the month to discuss a sponsor package going forward on EolaWeen. J.Clark asked if anything else is on the horizon for fundraising & R.DeNoia responded no, but that something does need to be put in place that can provide funding as the Foundation does need to pay back LECS. Discussion held concerning various fundraising options.

Board Training: J.Clark asked if everyone had completed their training & R.DeNoia stated there is still 1 Board member outstanding & if they haven't completed the training by the end of the year they cannot continue to sit on the Board. J.Craner asked how long is the training good for & R.DeNoia said 2 years & then a refresher course is required.

Meeting Schedule: R.DeNoia reminded Board of former discussion concerning bi-monthly meetings & now that the building is purchased would like to revisit the idea. J.Clark stated he wasn't sure what the Bylaws had been changed to. Discussion held. P.Clarke asked about other school's meeting schedules & R.DeNoia will bring some samples to the next meeting.

New Business:

Financials: E.Langdon reported the month shows a loss of \$6,494 versus a basic break even budget point & a year to date loss of \$7,200. He stated these numbers represent an increase in operation of plant expenses. Approval of November financials moved to the February meeting. V.Shade motioned to approve the December financials. J.Clark seconded. Vote unanimous.

Faculty Report: M.McCormick reported Mr. Hughes Community Service Club collected blankets & some clothing for the homeless & went to serve at Daily Bread. Some happenings around school include the Geography Bee, students prepping for the upcoming Oration competition, a Disney program at the Library & our MLK read-in at City Hall was reconfigured on campus due to the weather conditions on Friday.

Directors Report:

- Foundation – \$42,346.76.
- Building – Reviewing bids on a/c work & roof scuppers.
- PTSA – Wants to do a rededication of the building on 2-17 at noon, with a ceremonial champagne bottle break on the building, cupcakes, maybe press, etc.
- Thank You – Students made thank you cards for Charles Frederick to thank him for his diligence in our building endeavors & myself, S.Morell, & students, delivered them to his office along with some gift cards. We are greatly appreciative of his efforts to secure a permanent home for LECS.
- SAC – Pre-flight assessment next month & by year-end we will have our SACS accreditation renewed, we have received our charter renewal for the next 15 years, & we have purchased our building.

Bylaws: J.Clark suggested it was time for review this year. M.McCormick asked about conflict of interest that was referenced in the BOD training concerning teachers serving on the Board. J.Clark said that state statues do not support that thought process & also, teachers can recuse themselves from votes on issues pertaining to faculty. J.Clark does not feel it is a conflict in our relationship with BOD members & faculty, our Bylaws, or state statues.

Annual Housekeeping: J.Clark reported that he will put together a list of items to get accomplished for the year. J.Clark asked how the new teacher was doing & R.DeNoia responded very well, the students love her, & she is coming along.

PTSA: C.Hamilton informed the Board of the next general membership meeting to be held on February 15th. Dinner will be served & Mr. Richard is scheduled to perform. She also invited the Board to attend.