

**Lake Eola Charter School
Board of Directors
Minutes
For February 17, 2016**

Members Present: Jim Craner, Jeff Bush, Alex Eng, Sherri Dixon, Joan Roxbury, Victoria Shade, Ronnie DeNoia

Absent: Ryan Santurri

Visitors: Ed Langdon, Sharon Morell

Meeting commenced at 5:34 p.m. & adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Motion to approve December 2015 Minutes was unanimous.

Motion to approve December 2015 Confidential Minutes was unanimous.

Old Business:

Contract: J.Craner said in process, working on it.

New Board Members: J.Craner said Carol Hagemann passed on the names of a couple of retired OCPS teachers that might be interested in serving & he will contact. R.DeNoia said she made a connection with someone that also might be interested.

New Business:

Financials: Ed Langdon referenced the Balance Sheet, reporting total assets at \$527,246, total liabilities at \$49,317 & total equity of \$477,929 for the month. He stated that the Financial Statements show FEFP continues to come in over budget, instructional expenses for the month under budget & a net income for the month of \$9,006 & a year to date income of \$67,497. Everything on track to end the year positively. A.Eng motioned to approve the January 2016 financials (inclusive of December). S.Dixon seconded. Vote unanimous.

Teacher's Report: J.Roxbury reported Cl#1 enjoyed a performance from the storytelling group, Tales 2 Tell & Mr. Richard is coming to perform for them at the end of February. Classes are in the middle of Black History month lessons & for MLK Day the students prepared a presentation. Cl#2 visited the school science fair which was held across the street at Fellowship Hall & they have a upcoming field trip to see the play, *Tales of a 4th Grade Nothing*. Pottery is almost over & the students are sad as it is one of their favorite classes. Preparation is under way for the Oration competition in Cl#2 & #3 & also the Dreamer & Doer selection is in process. The Cl#3 Science Fair was a great success & all the first place school winners went on to the county competition where they also did well, & LECS student, Elle Rader, won first place & will go on to the State competition. 8th grade Cl#3 L. Arts students went to see *The Tempest* today & 6th & 7th grade will go to see the play at the Orlando Shakespeare Theatre

in March. Ms. Tamborello will again this year be helping with scene preparation prior to the student presentation.

Director's Report:

- Foundation – \$53,451.00 currently
 - SAC – investigating a raffle fundraiser for a new car at \$100 per ticket & a maximum of 375 tickets sold
 - SAC Accreditation – received our accreditation with 2 citations:
 1. Strategic Plan – BOD needs to establish a sub-committee & revise expired plan
 2. School Improvement Plan – although we do not have to have one in place for the District, we do have to have one for accreditation & the committee of 4-5 people must include a teacher, an administrator, & a parent. Discussion held & S.Dixon agreed to head the committee & will reach out for other members & J.Roxbury will send an email to staff.
- It was difficult to convey our system, i.e., grades/rubrics/grade less, to the reviewers as we do not have individual, standard types of assessments, but rather comments on report cards, portfolios, etc. There are different operational things with Charters that they aren't prepared for. Also commented that there should be a formalized process whereas every child would be assigned/known to one adult that has direct contact with them throughout the year.
- School Grade – received an “A”, with Math at 94% passing & Reading at 93% passing.
 - Jump Rope for Heart – Marsha Colas spearheaded this fundraiser for the American Heart Assc. & the students raised \$1,200
 - Professional Development – Apple instructor will be onsite for a whole day of iPad instruction for staff on our Professional Development day
 - Orlando Sentinel – article in the paper on the recess debate & they interviewed & photographed our students at the park
 - Learning Specialist – Carrin Hahn is relocating out of state & Michele Stucker will be coming back & assuming her position for the remainder of the school year.

