

**Lake Eola Charter School**  
**Board of Directors**  
**Minutes**  
**For January 17, 2018**

**Members Present:** Ryan Santurri, Elizabeth Hoffman, Sherri Dixon, Alex Eng, Jeff Bush, Adam McGinnis, Victoria Shade, Lisa Early, Ronnie DeNoia, Joan Roxbury

**Absent:** David Morillo

**Visitors:** John Dierking, Ed Langdon, Sharon Morell

Meeting commenced at 5:40 p.m. & adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Motion to approve October 2017 Minutes was unanimous.

Motion to approve October 2017 Confidential Minutes was unanimous.

**Old Business:**

School Improvement Plan: S.Dixon distributed Draft copies & stated that she felt at this juncture there are only minor edits to be made. Discussion held concerning edits. L.Early motioned to approve with discussed edits, the LECS 2015-2021 School Improvement Plan. J.Bush seconded. Vote unanimous.

Fingerprinting & Board Training: R.Santurri inquired if everyone had completed their BOD training & R.DeNoia replied that there are still some members that have not yet completed it. R.Santurri stated that the training needs to be done & requested that the outstanding members complete it as soon as possible.

**New Business:**

Financials: E.Langdon reported that the Balance Sheet showed cash at roughly \$225,000.00 & total assets at \$598,495.00. Total Liabilities are at roughly \$50,000.00, which includes Field Trip & Retirement payments, with a total Equity for the month of \$548,000.00. He stated that due to timing issues with some deposits & payouts, such as the Governor's Recognition money, the month is showing a loss & year to date a small loss. E.Langdon said that the Capital Outlay funding is quite a bit below previous funding years. He said that there are plenty of funds in reserve & there is no need to be concerned. S.Dixon motioned to approve the December 2017 Financial Statements. L.Early seconded. Vote unanimous. S.Dixon motioned to approve the October & November 2017 Financial Statements. E.Hoffman seconded. Vote unanimous.

New Board Member: R.Santurri introduced John Dierking & asked him to tell the BOD a little about himself & his desire to serve on the Board. John Dierking said that he had been involved with LECS from the beginning of the school. He reported that his wife served on the Board for many years as the Legal Counsel for LECS & he had served on SAC as the SAC Chair & as a Committee Chair for several years. He also said that he served on the DaVinci High School Board of Directors. Mr. Dierking stated that his daughter & her husband graduated from LECS & they continue to help out at Science Fair for Mr. Madewell. He said that he has been a lawyer with Holland & Knight for over 25 years & he is happy to be back & helping at LECS if his appointment to the Board is approved. R.Santurri excused Mr. Dierking, thanked him for his interest, & let him know that the Board would discuss & vote on his

appointment. Discussion held concerning an offer of Board membership for Mr. Dierking. L.Early motioned to extend an invitation to Mr. Dierking to join the LECS Board of Directors. S.Dixon seconded. Vote unanimous. R.Santurri said that he would contact him to inform him of his appointment & subsequent necessary fingerprinting & training.

Science Fair: S.Dixon reported that she & A.Eng worked at the school Science Fair & stated that she was very impressed with the level of some of the projects this year & also the level of judges. She said that 4 were from UCF & 2 judges were coming back on Friday to work with the students going to the County competition. S.Dixon stated that she was surprised that for the first time in her knowledge, 2 students told her they did not do a project & did not seem to care. R.DeNoia said that the status of those 2 students has changed & they are now both doing projects. Discussion held concerning the changing school culture.

Search Committee: S.Dixon asked about plans for acquiring a new Director. BOD agreed that a Search Committee should be convened to advertise the position, screen & interview candidates, & send selected candidates to the BOD for final hire decision. Discussion held concerning putting together a Search Committee & plan of action. E.Hoffman agreed to Co-Chair the Committee. Invitations to serve will be extended by R.DeNoia to the following persons: John Dierking to Co-Chair with E.Hoffman, SAC President DeVonna Craner & SAC Vice-President Sharon Morell, Teachers Jillian Friedman, Dene Gainey, Alyssa Hernandez, Parents Juan Gomez & Natasha Douglas. BOD members L.Early & S.Dixon also agreed to serve. S.Dixon motioned to hold the first meeting of the Search Committee on 1-24-18, at 5:30 in the Curriculum Library, to determine an action plan. J.Bush seconded. Vote unanimous. E.Hoffman asked if the BOD was willing to empower the Search Committee to conduct business on behalf of the Board. R.Santurri replied yes, as did the other Board members.

#### Director's Report:

- Foundation: \$74,000.00
- Community Service: From our non-uniform dress days we were able to supply Christmas gifts for 6 people at Orlando Union Rescue Mission & students delivered them. Additionally, helping a displaced family from Puerto Rico through the Unitarian Church.
- University of Florida: Invitation to take some of our students to an Engineering Fair they are hosting, Mr. Madewell & Mrs. Roxbury are both going & taking students.
- Ballet: A parent is teaching ballet to the 1<sup>st</sup> graders
- Fellowship: Mr. Gainey (cl#2 LA) has been awarded a teaching fellowship this summer in Tanzania & he has a Go Fund Me page to help cover his travel expenses.

Teacher's Report: Please see below as reported by J.Roxbury.

# Teacher's Report 1-17-18

## Cluster 1

- Tales to Tell
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade had two donors choose projects funded – 1 that paid for charging station for kindles and 2<sup>nd</sup> for cases for the kindles
- ROTC funded purchasing class set of dictionaries for 2/3<sup>rd</sup> grade
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is testing fluorescent light covers for the classroom, paired with full-spectrum lightbulbs to reduce strain and create warmer learning environment.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade upcoming field trips include Orange County election office, city hall and courthouse to support social studies curriculum
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to OMA to participate in a Dig and Discover program where students look at artifacts of the ancient Americas. 80 percent of the cost is covered under a grant by Winifred Johnson Clive Foundation
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade received a 50 dollar gran for Pets in classroom to learn about lifecycles for their class aquarium
- With UCF program 3<sup>rd</sup> grade is working on completing a sculpture of animals and insects native to Florida which will be displayed at OMA.

## Cluster 2

- Cluster 2 students are currently taking their annual art class at the Pottery Studio and have created a stuffed creature. They designed it on a piece of paper, cut the felt to match the design, have sewn, stuffed and decorated it. Thanks to the fundraising efforts that enable to students to attend and learn the different forms of art they are able to. Plus learning how to sew, which many did not know how to do already.
- Cluster 2 students to attend "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" at the Orlando Rep.
- K-5 Classes attended a holiday concert at Lake Eola Park Amphitheater.
- Roxbury's class went to Beardall Sr Center to decorate cookies with seniors as part of the 20 Ways to Build a Better Community.

## Cluster 3

- School science fair was January 11. 26 students will go to the Ying Expo on Feb 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>
- Astronaut Talk in cluster 3

1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> MLK walk around Lake Eola Park

Professional Development at Full Sail: Team Building, Demonstration School

Upcoming professional development to FETC

Social Media Boot Camp Mr. Gaway & Full Sail

Report Card Conferences/1<sup>st</sup> Cluster completed their first semester and report cards went out in January, 2018

Book Fair

Letter from 1<sup>st</sup> cluster requesting participation in the committee to find successor Director