

**Lake Eola Charter School  
Board of Directors  
Minutes  
For October 24, 2018**

**Members Present:** Elizabeth Hoffman, Alex Eng, Sherri Dixon, John Dierking

**LECS Staff:** Bob Madewell, LuAnne Schendel, Sharon Morell

**Absent:** Ryan Santurri, Lisa Early

**Visitors:** Tom Reilly, Holland & Reilly

Meeting commenced at 5:47 p.m. & adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Motion to approve August 2018 Minutes was unanimous.

Motion to approve August 2018 Confidential Minutes was unanimous.

**Old Business:**

Sick Leave Pool Policy: S.Morell distributed draft policy for discussion. S.Dixon motioned to approve Sick Leave Pool Policy with edits discussed. E.Hoffman seconded. Vote unanimous.

**New Business:**

Financials: S.Morell reported no significant change in the Balance Sheet accounts, total assets are \$658,440, total liabilities are \$60,993, & total equity is \$597,447. Capital Outlay is now being received & also the Teacher Lead funding was received & distributed. Some funds were used for enrollment marketing to place advertisements for LECS in 2 local educational publications. Positive variance showing for the month & year to date. E.Hoffman motioned to approve the September 2018 Financial Statements. J.Dierking seconded. Vote unanimous.

Annual Audit, Y/E 6-30-18: T.Reilly distributed summary report to accompany audit report & informed the BOD that the audit was performed under Government Auditing Standards. He stated that the audit went very smoothly & thanked S.Morell & E.Langdon for their assistance & hard work over the course of the last year to ensure a clean audit. T.Reilly reported that there were no exceptions & no comments noted on the audit & that overall, the financial statement results the last few years have been very consistent. Review & discussion held. E.Hoffman motioned to approve the Annual Audit for year-ending 6-30-18. A.Eng seconded. Vote unanimous.

Director's Report:

- Foundation-\$76,642.00
- CPR Training-staff will receive training on the upcoming professional development day
- Enrollment-currently at 212, openings in middle school
- Vandalism-school garage was vandalized during the night on 10-6-18 & one of the gates needs to be repaired
- Staff Change-CI#2 LA teacher has resigned & a new teacher has been hired & will begin on 10-29-18
- State Charter School Conference-is this week & S.Morell & myself are attending
- Lake Eola Park Event-3<sup>rd</sup> grade was invited to walk with Mayor Dyer at the park to help promote park activities

Teacher's Report: B.Madewell reported Ms. Friedman's class raised roughly \$300 for a school in Tanzania that Mr. Gainey visited over the summer. He said his homeroom class is collecting school supplies & cash donations for schools in the Panhandle affected by the hurricane & he is changing his science curriculum to incorporate Universal Design Learning, which provides for student choice. He said it is going well, students are enjoying the choice aspect.

Mental Health Plan: S.Morell reported that Orange County charter schools have the option to provide their own mental health services to students based on recent legislation requirements or utilize the services from OCPS. She stated that there is a small amount of funding LECS will receive from the State to help offset the cost of providing these services, but it will not be enough. S.Morell said OCPS is willing to allow the charters to allocate their portion of the funding to OCPS in exchange for coverage & services under their mental health plan. E.Hoffman motioned to approve joining the OCPS Mental Health Plan & allocating the funding received for mental health services to OCPS. S.Dixon seconded. Vote unanimous.

Charter Amendment: L.Schendel reported that OCPS is proposing an amendment to our Charter as concerns the engagement of & compensation for a school resource officer on campus & it does not appear to be in the best interest of LECS. Discussion held. S.Dixon motioned to table any approval of the proposed Charter amendment pending legal advice. E.Hoffman seconded. Vote unanimous.

Arnold Law: J.Dierking motioned to replenish the retainer up to \$5,000. S.Dixon seconded. Vote unanimous.

Bullying Policy: L.Schendel stated that we must now send home to parents a notice informing them of the Hope Scholarship Program every time there is a report of a bullying event & notify OCPS. The Hope Scholarship Program was established by the State of Florida to provide a parent of a public school student who was subjected to an incident the opportunity to enroll their child in an eligible private school with potential funding assistance or transfer their child to another public school with available capacity. Discussion held. E.Hoffman motioned to amend the Board Policy 48:0056.20 BULLYING, HARASSMENT AND OTHER AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR to change any mention of “bully box” to “report box” throughout the policy. A.Eng seconded. Vote unanimous.

Maternity Leave: L.Schendel reported that Alyssa Hernandez, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, has turned in a letter to notify the BOD that she will be utilizing maternity leave in April to extend to the end of the 18/19 school year. It is expected she will be out roughly 4-5 weeks.

December Meeting: A.Eng motioned to change the December meeting from 12-19-18 to 12-12-18. S.Dixon seconded. Vote unanimous.