



LOTUS

SCHOOL FOR EXCELLENCE

Lotus School for Excellence School Board Meeting Minutes

Mission: Lotus School for Excellence provides a safe learning environment and a rigorous college preparatory curriculum supported by a diverse, dedicated community.

Vision: Our vision is to create well-rounded and global minded citizens who are prepared for a college education in order to pursue careers in S.T.E.A.M. fields and become contributing members of the community.

Date	January 13, 2022
Time	6:00 pm
Location	This meeting will be held virtually due to COVID-19. Please click on this link to access the Lotus Board Meeting via Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89555939365?pwd=WG5hNGs5OU1keXBLdnVETUx1SlhxQT09

Board Members in Attendance	Don Knapp, Board President Haregewoin Weledmariam, Board Treasurer Nuran Yilmaz, Board Member Angelina Velez-Reyes, Board Secretary Zikri
Board Members Absent	
Additional Attendees	Tim Farmer, Attorney Mr. Bart Skidmore, CPA Dr. Bobby Allen Anthony Watson Yavuz Durmus

Executive Director	Brett Williams
Meeting Minutes	Taken by Sarah Cochran

1. Preliminary

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
1.1 Welcome and Call Meeting to Order	Board President	6:03pm
1.2 Pledge of Allegiance	Board President	
1.3 Roll Call (Establish Quorum)	Board Secretary	Angelina Velez-Reyes
1.4 Edits to Agenda	Any Member	<p>Motion: Angelina Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add 5.3 - new executive director evaluation tool - 5.4 - resignation of Nuran Yilmaz <p>Second: Zikri Outcome: unanimous</p>
1.5 Adopt Agenda	Board President	<p>Motion: Discussion: Second: Outcome:</p>
1.6 Approval of Minutes	Board President	<p>Motion: Angela Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - November Minutes <p>Second: Hare Outcome: Zikri abstain from voting (not present) Unanimous otherwise</p>

2. Public Comment

Topic	Comments

3. Consent Agenda

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
No Items	Don Knapp	Motion: Discussion: Second: Outcome:

4. Reports

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
4.1 Financial Report	B. Skidmore	November 30 = 42% through year In great financial shape Cash flow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grants are substantial - APS will true-up PPR and student count which will increase cash flow
4.2 Athletic Report	D. Jackson	Written report from Coach Jackson Students are no longer allowed to attend sports games, no spectators. Live streaming will continue.
4.3 School Report	B. Williams	School Board Recognition Month <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thank you! Individual quarantines - have not had to transition any classes to home. Teams are beginning to plan for virtual learning in case we do need to pivot to a remote setting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prepping students - Technology

		<p>Tuesday 1/18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Charter School Renewal - Status for next 5 years - Begin at 6:30? 6:00? Pm <p>Capital Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exterior (brand new signs) - Demolition of auditorium starts later this month <p>Two newest members of administration team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Bobby Allen (Elementary Principal) - Toni Fisher (Secondary Assistant Principal)
4.4 School Board Reports	Any Board Member	<p>Kudos to Mr. Williams</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A lot of work put into application and preparation into APS and the upcoming vote

5. Action Items

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
5.1 Motion to approve placement of meeting agendas in compliance with CRS § 24-6-402	D. Knapp	<p>Motion: Angela Discussion: Requires every we designate the placement of meeting agendas. Happens to be on our website, affirm or change? Second: Hare Outcome: unanimous</p>
5.2 Motion to appoint board member to the Foundation Board	D. Knapp	<p>Motion: Hare Discussion: In need of two board members for the foundation board. Foundation board is an affiliated entity with the school. Hold title to the property and oversee the building. Time commitment is low - a handful of times per year. Generally try to meet the same night as the school board. - Zikri Second: Angela Outcome: unanimous</p>
5.3 New executive director evaluation tool		<p>New evaluation form - a shorter more concise form we could give actual feedback on.</p> <p>Mr. Williams feels that this rubric is great for any environment.</p> <p>Motion: Zikri Discussion: Hare - very clear and concise</p>

		Don Knapp - more accurate reflection of what we do and don't know Second: Hare Outcome: unanimous
5.4 Resignation of Nuran Yilmaz		Motion: Angela Discussion: none Second: Hare Outcome: unanimous

6. Discussion

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
6.1 Review of Strategic Plan	D. Knapp	Will cover at next meeting
6.2 CLCS Conference	D. Knapp	Colorado League of Charter School Conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - March - Board Training and networking for charter school in Colorado - March 1st and 2nd

7. Legal Training

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
7.1 Review Bylaws	Tim Farmer	Bylaws are organizing principles Require that 1 director at all times is a parent Terms are for 3 years <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staggered - stability President (Don), vice president, secretary (Angela), treasure (Hare) June, July meeting - need to elect new members Monthly regular meetings Executive Director - non voting member Vote - majority rule, no proxy Amend bylaws - 48 hours in advance, 2/3 vote

8. Next Steps

Agenda Item	Who	Notes
8.1 Scheduling Next Board Meeting	Board President	February 10, 2022
8.2 Requests for agenda at next board meeting	Board President	none

9. Adjourn the Meeting

- a. Don Knapp at 7:00pm

Don Knapp

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