



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	May 11, 2023
Time	6:00 pm
Location	This meeting will be held in person at Lotus School for Excellence

Board Members in Attendance	Zikri Zarслан, Board Member Angelina Velez-Reyes, Board Secretary H. Ray Keith Board Member Don Knapp, Board President
Board Members Absent	Haregewoin Weledmariam, Board Treasurer
Additional Attendees	Mr. Bart Skidmore, CPA
Executive Director	Brett Williams
Meeting Minutes	Taken by Sarah Cochran

1. Preliminary

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
1.1 Welcome and Call Meeting to Order		Executive Director	6:13 pm
1.2 Pledge of Allegiance		Board President	6:13 pm
1.3 Roll Call (Establish Quorum)		Board Secretary	Zikri Zarслан, Board Member Angelina Velez-Reyes, Board Secretary H. Ray Keith
1.4 Edits to Agenda		Any Member	Motion: Zikri Discussion: Keith Second: Outcome: unanimous
1.5 Adopt Agenda	Vote	Board President	Motion: Second: Discussion: Outcome: unanimous
1.6 Approval of Minutes	Vote	Board President	Motion: Second: Discussion: none Outcome: unanimous

2. Public Comment

Topic	Comments
	none

3. Consent Agenda

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
N/A			None

4. Reports

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
4.1 Financial Report	Vote	B. Skidmore	<p>April Financials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Surplus of \$130 k - Expenditures 81% - Auditorium project is complete <p>Balance Sheet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Last year cash was not great due to receivables - Systems are more efficient this year - Current Liabilities decreased - Financial compliance is at 99% <p>'23 - '24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11.5% increase - Projected surplus - Finance bill = \$9.1 billion - Extra money per each student - Capital construction funding is up 10 million - Special Education = 40 million - Overall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Somewhat conservative - May not be able to hire as much as we need or want - At Risk
4.2 School Board Report		B. Williams	<p>ED Dashboard April 2023</p> <p>Staff Appreciation Week!!!</p> <p>Performance Art Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student led video production crew - Video booth that allows them to go from camera 1 to camera 2 <p>Senior Graduation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2:00pm, 5/17/2023 <p>The Senior Parade was today! 5/11/2023</p>

			The Secondary Principal position has been filled by Ms. Monique Jones!
4.3 School Board Report		Any Board Member	

5. Action Items

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
5.1 Motion to approve Executive Director Employment Agreement with an increase consistent with the 9% increase given to staff.	Vote	D. Knapp	Motion: Angela Second: Zikri Discussion: none Outcome: unanimous
5.2 Motion to approve FY24 Budget Appropriations Resolution	Vote	D. Knapp	Motion: Keith Second: Angela Discussion: none Outcome: unanimous

6. Discussion

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
6.1 Board Self-Evaluation	Discuss	D. Knapp	Self-Evaluation Form Postponing
6.2 Board Member Recruitment Plan	Discuss	D. Knapp	D. Knapps term is ending in June. Need to be looking for someone to fill his place. Angelas term is ending this summer as well. Everyone needs to start looking for replacements. - Submit resume

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have a discussion - Take a vote - Add announcement to website
6.3 Rounding			<p>Set for tomorrow 5/12/2023</p> <p>Want it to be natural rather than structured</p>

7. Executive Session

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
<p>7.1 Executive Session CRS 24-6-402(4)(d) to discuss the specialized details of security arrangements or investigations regarding threat deterrence and detection systems and (§24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S.), to receive legal advice regarding the solar panel contract, (C.R.S.) and CRS 24-6-402(4)(d) and CRS 24-6-402(4)(f)(I) for an investigation and discussion of a personnel matter related to a grievance filed against school leadership and CRS 24-6-402(4)(b) to receive legal advice related thereto</p>	<p>Discuss</p>	<p>B. Williams/ Mr. Robey/Mr. Farmer</p>	

7.2 Motion to approve Resolution Non Appropriation for Solar Panel	Vote		Motioned by Ray Keith Seconded by Zikri Arslan Passes
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8. Next Steps

Agenda Item	Action	Who	Notes
8.1 Scheduling next board meeting		Board President	April 13th -
8.2 Requests for agenda at next board meeting		Board President	none

9. Adjourn the Meeting

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Don Knapp

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