Minutes
Academie Lafayette Board of Directors
Board Meeting
Monday Aug 10, 2015 @ 6:00 PM at Oak Campus

Board Members Present
Chad Phillips, David Cozad, Dr. Margaret Anderson, Jon Otto, Mark Flavin, Mike Zeller, Pam Gard, Tracey Lewis

Board Members Absent
Harriett Plowman, Marvin Lyman

Guests Present
Brian Davis/Jeffrey L. Bruce & Co., LLC, Carlos McClain, Dr. Lynne Beachner/UCM, Dr. Vici Hughes/UCM, Elimane Mbengue/Head of School, Heather Royce/Principal-Cherry, Jacque Lane, Sarah Guthrie

I. Opening Items

Call the Meeting to Order
Chad Phillips called a meeting of the board of directors of Academie Lafayette Board of Directors to order on Monday Aug 10, 2015 @ 6:15 PM at Oak Campus. David Cozad left early.

Stakeholder Comments

Approve Minutes
C. Phillips made a motion to approve July 13, 2015, minutes. Discussion and amendment recommended to reflect that the motion written regarding spending up to $50,000 to upgrade Cherry playground be withdrawn until bids secured. Chad Phillips moved to accept.
Dr. Margaret Anderson seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Approve Agenda
C. Phillips made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Pam Gard seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion.

II. Building Update

Cherry Campus Update - DeVonia Moreno
Temporary certificate of occupancy for August 13th, issued. Explanation as to delays provided. Discussion followed regarding progress.

Oak Campus Update - Mr. Mbengue/Jacque Lane
With the 3rd grade classes relocated to the Cherry Campus, Oak classes were redistributed within building in order to group grades together on each floor.

Fields at Oak/Cherry - Brian Dais
Brian Davis/Jeffrey L. Bruce & Co., LLC gave a presentation regarding the open space areas at both campuses. The advantages and disadvantages of natural turf versus synthetic turf and sand-based turf fields was provided.
Dave Cozad proposed that the administrative staff evaluate other options and report back to the board. Discussion followed.

Secure Entrance at Oak
C. Phillips made a motion to approve time and materials contract with BNIM for: design, construction,
documentation, and construction administration for a new secure entrance and teachers' lounge at the Oak campus. The contract is not to exceed $40,000. Amended Motion Approve time and materials contract with BNIM for: design, construction, documentation, and construction administration for a new secure entrance and teachers' lounge at the Oak campus with target construction costs of approximately $600,000. The contract with BNIM is not to exceed $40,000.
Mark Flavin seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion.

III. Annual Oversight Report - Vici Hughes/UCM

Site Review
Site review presented which is a state mandated report. The Oversight Report for the school is very favorable. Discussion followed regarding issues pertaining to charters and KCPS with regard to standard based comparisons and academic data.

IV. Head of School Report - Elimane Mbengue

Motion: Adoption of model compliance plan for IDEA
D. Anderson made a motion to to approve Model Compliance Plan.
Chad Phillips seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Back to school plan
*MAP Testing completed and DESE recommends not comparing to past years. *Embargo on State scores and test results will be communicated to press. * AL did much better in ELA * Literacy Improvement Plan being introduced * Oak and Cherry campuses (except new wing) ready for first day * Prof. Dvlpmnt. will focus on immersion and literacy * Ten new Smart boards * Suggested that volunteers be used to help with building details, i.e. interior and exterior.

High School Report
* Buildings being toured, but not ready to make decision. * Meetings to be held with possible partners. * Funding will be discussed with potential funders. * Considering meeting with African American community leaders to share information about AL.

V. Development Report - Sarah Guthrie

Update
* Several grants have been secured * Grants are pending * Grants in progress for IB Program * Current projects include: Raffle Campaign, Donor Recognition; Website update, external and internal communications, and High School Committee.

VI. Finance Report - Jacque Lane

Monthly Finances
The monthly finance report presented as well as detailed explanations of receipts and expenditures. Also, an update on building repairs and purchases was provided.

Approve July Accounts Payable
M. Flavin made a motion to approve accounts payable for July, 2015, as presented.
Dr. Margaret Anderson seconded the motion.
The board VOTED to approve the motion. One abstention - Jon Otto.

VII. Governance - Jon Otto

Updates
* Board Retreat - plans to hold a board retreat be changed to "Board Member Training" and incorporated into board meetings (adding approx. 1 hour to each meeting). * Board Retreat Topics - review Strategic Plan (expires in 2016), building expansion, and utilizing outside presenters/trainers. Suggested that training be done on alternate
Monday outside of board meeting Mondays. Jon Otto will send a survey to board members regarding board training. It was suggested that Erin North be invited to speak to board about high school start up. * Suggested that board assessments be developed for the purpose of assessing/evaluating board performance. * Policies are to be review and Dr. Anderson will schedule date and time with Jacque Lane.

VIII. Closing Items

Adjourn Meeting
With no further business, Chad Phillips, President, moved to adjourn at 9:25 p.m.