

10/25/18
ReNEW Board Meeting -- Minutes

I. Opening Items

B. Weimer called meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

K. Conklin motioned to approve 8/23/18 meeting minutes. R. Kennedy seconded. Members voted unanimously to approve minutes.

Board members present: K. Conklin, B. Weimer, J. Marshall, R. Roig, R. Kennedy, P. Parquet, L. Sherman

Guests present: T. Robicheaux, S. Satchfield, T. Bryant, L. Giarratano, N. Veal

II. Governance Committee

Ms. Conklin discussed the credentials and backgrounds on two prospective board member candidates, C.J. El-Dahr and Monica Landry. Board members reviewed the candidates' resumes.

Ms. Conklin introduced motion to appoint Mr. CJ El-Dahr to the board. Mr. Marshall seconded. Members approved the motion unanimously.

Ms. Conklin introduced motion to appoint Ms. Monica Landry to the board. Mr. Marshall seconded. Members approved the motion unanimously.

III. Academic Committee Report

Mr. Roig discussed details from the most recent Academic Committee meeting. Noted consistency in math scores across all schools in network and citywide. Roig noted that there are signs of positives in academics compared to recent years. Roig noted the next Academic Committee meeting is set for January.

Ms. Bryant discussed curriculum implementation -- noting that the curriculum and instruction team

Ms. Giarratano noted that teachers in Phase Zero are getting more intensive coaching, more observations and debriefs. Transitioning to higher level professional development. Goal for Phase One to have 70-percent of teachers out of the "red." Giarratano noted a focus on getting teachers to Phase Two.

IV. Additional Updates from CEO

Ms. Bryant provided an explainer of ReNEW's Network Data Day, where school staffs come together to go over Benchmark results. She also recapped the 2nd Annual ReNEW Bowl. Ms Bryant then discussed the progress with ReNEW's collaborative and professional development sessions, explaining that the network focused on teamwork, professionalism, and network pride. Ms Bryant discussed the Wit & Wisdom Growth Data from another New Orleans charter organization. Ms Bryant explained that Schaumburg and ReNEW Accelerated High School are dealing with lower-than-expected enrollment. She noted that it's important to focus on student retention. Other contributing factor at Schaumburg may be that the operations are still being conducted in a temporary school building, but expecting to move back to the home campus.

V. Other Business

Mr.. Weimer passed out OPSB Board Verification Forms.

Mr. Weimer noted that if board members filed for a tax extension they need to file an amended financial disclosure form

Mr. Weimer noted that all board members must complete the state mandated ethics training by 12/31/18

VI. Closing Items

With no further business to discuss, Ms. Sherman motioned to adjourn. Mr. Marshall seconded. Members voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted, S. Satchfield.