

10/24/19 ReNEW Board Meeting -- Minutes

I. Opening Items

Stephen Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

Board members present: S. Rosenthal, CJ El-Dahr, B. Weimer, M. Clem, M. Landry, R.

Roig, K. Edmundson, R. Kennedy

Board members not present: K. Conklin, S. Castellanos, N. Hardie

Guests present: Scott Satchfield, Tanya Bryant, Tammy Robicheaux, Emily Waterfield

II. Approve Minutes

K. Edmundson moved to approve 8/22/19 meeting minutes. M. Landry seconded. Members voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

III. Finance Committee Report

A. 2019-2020 Budget and Projections

CJ El-Dahr presented Oct 1 counts and budget forecast. The deficit will increase due to lower enrollments, however the variance is manageable. Surplus forecast for end of year is above the 10% of operating expense target.

IV. Academic Committee Report

A. Quarter 1 Results

R. Roig explained that ReNEW has seen improvements at a 2-percent average across the network. He said the academic committee will continue studying data from the first quarter and will meet again in January to discuss the results further.

T. Bryant stated the network is seeing gains in math and ELA.

V. CEO Update

A. Update on Strategic Priorities

Tanya Bryant explained that the network is continuing with the Tier 1 curriculum this academic year. She also noted that ReNEW did well with teacher retention from last year to this year. Bryant also stated that assistant principals are focused on support in classrooms.

As it relates to Intervention, Bryant explained that ReNEW is focused on fluency and comprehension this academic year. Additionally, she stated that there's a focus on math intervention, which has led to early positive results.

B. Update on RAHS transition to EQA

T. Bryant explained that OPSB has met with RAHS students and staff as it relates to what they should expect next with the transition.

C. ReNEW awarded Early Childhood RFP

T. Bryant explained that -- after replying to a RFP regarding early childhood services -- ReNEW was awarded an increased role in early childhood services beginning with the 2020-2021 academic year.

D. ReNEW Bowl

T. Bryant explained that the annual ReNEW Bowl will take place this Saturday, October 26th at Joe W. Brown Park. She said the event includes flag and tackle football games, homecoming court presentations, and performances by the band and dance teams from across the network.

VI. Public Comment Period

None

VII. Closing Items

With no further business to discuss, R. Roig moved to adjourn. K. Edmundson seconded. Members voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted, S. Satchfield.