

NEW SPIRIT CHARTER ACADEMY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES – JUNE 16, 2015

THE ATRIUM

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- A. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Kris Stuebner at 6:10 p.m.
- B. Roll Call: Members Present : Kris Stuebner, Darlene Laval, Kay Lee, Kathy Brown  
Members Absent: Marc Shaw
- C. Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Member Laval and seconded by Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Communications:
1. Financial Report for May 2015 from Spencer Styles of Charter Impact. Mr. Styles summarized that NSCA will have approximately \$114,000 at the end of year once all expenses have been incurred and paid; this amount includes funds from LCFF, Lottery, Federal Child Nutrition and EPA. However, NSCA started operating fiscal year 14=15 with \$110,687 in the negative, so we need to have more than that same amount to be in the positive. This coming year there will be an increase in student support from \$7,500 per student to approximately \$8,800 per student for the next fiscal year. However, there will be increased STRS and affiliated expenses to add. Member Stuebner suggested NSCA start a reserve, Mr. Styles suggested 5% starting in the next fiscal year.
  2. NSCA received from FCOE an issuance of a Notice of Violation and Opportunity to Remedy related to Provision of School Facilities for 2015-2016 school year. This will be addressed at FCOE School Board Meeting on Thursday, June 18, 2015. Member Brown will attend the Board Meeting.
- E/F Member Laval motioned to move to closed session at 6:26 p.m. Member Brown seconded. Motion was carried unanimously. Member Laval motions to adjourn closed session at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Member Lee. The motion was carried unanimously.
- G. Introduction of Guests: Dave Blanchard, Project Director; Stephan Morris, NSCA Asst. Director
- H. Report out of closed Session Actions:
1. Stephen Morris and Dave Blanchard will be meeting with the Chapter Council of St. James tonight regarding conditions of possible lease for the 2015-2016 school year.
  2. Evaluation and contract for Executive Director was tabled until a special meeting called for Thursday, June 26, 2015 at 5:55 p.m.
- I. Invitation to the Public to Address the Board.
1. There were no comments from the public.
- J. A motion to move to the Public Hearing regarding LCAP was made by President Stuebner, seconded by Member Lee and passed unanimously. Public Hearing was called to order by President Stuebner at 6:48 p.m. regarding LCAP for 2015-2016. The expenditures for the 2014-2015 were reviewed and suggested changes discussed as per input from surveys from all stakeholders. NSCA will increase classroom aides for grades Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade during the morning and increase availability of tutors during noon, afternoon and after school for students needing additional academic support, This coming year New Spirit will introduce a PE/health and wellness program and a part-time counselor. Increased staff development to strengthen teachers us of data to drive instruction and increase use of our student information system and make the parent portal

available for our parents. In the hiring of new teachers, New Spirit will be seeking those teachers with experience in monitoring use of data to insure student growth in math and language arts. Member Laval moved to close the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m. Seconded by Member Lee. Motion carried unanimously.

K. Consent agenda

Member Laval moved to accept the Consent Agenda, seconded by Member Brown. Motion carried unanimously.