

International School of Louisiana
Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
June 17th, 2009

Call to order: 4:45 p.m.

Board members present:

Karen Mayer Dwyer (board president)

Andrew Yon

Grant Ligon

Dottie Nelson

Matt Amoss

Scott Aiges

Richard Cortizas

Staff members present:

Sean Wilson

Melanie Tennyson

Pam Stewart

Board members not present:

none

I. Call to Order

1. Dottie calls the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

1. **Motion by Dottie:** to approve the May 20th, 2009 board meeting minutes with the following changes:
 - a. Revise Dottie's vote against the approval of the May 11th minutes. She voted in favor of the motion.
 - b. Add Richard's absence.
2. The motion passes with no opposition.
3. **Motion by Richard:** to approve the April 22nd, 2009 board meeting minutes with no changes. The motion passes with no opposition.
4. **Motion by Dottie:** to approve the June 1st board meeting minutes with the following changes:
 - a. note the following board members as absent: Grant, Scott, and Richard, and
 - b. add mention of Kevin Katner's report to the board.
5. The motion passes with no opposition.

III. Reports

1. Head Report

- a. Sean presents his report to the board (see attached report).
- b. The board discusses several aspects on Sean's report, including the translation and finalization of the faculty/staff handbook.

2. President Report

- a. Karen presents her report to the board (see attached report).

3. Committee Reports

- a. All committee to board reports are attached. The reports include all agenda items discussed at the committee level and any motion presented to the board by a committee.
- b. Committee chairs distributed the following documents to the board:
 - (i) GV – open meetings law explanation
- c. The board heard the following committee motions (committees prefixes and relevant board action is recorded below:
 - (i) **PP – Motion to adopt the officer election procedure (attached).** The Motion passes unanimously.
 - (ii) **GV – Motion to adopt a procedure for re-nomination/re-election of existing board members to the board.** The motion passes unanimously.
 - (iii) **Motion by Matt: to table Scott's re-nomination to the board, allowing him to continue to serve until the next board meeting.** The motion passes unanimously.

IV. Board Officer Elections

1. After hearing from individual candidates, the board elects the following officers:
2. Board President – Grant Ligon
3. Vice-President – Matt Amoss
4. Secretary – Karen Dwyer
5. Treasurer – Andrew Yon (fills a vacant position after Grant was elected President)

V. Other topics

1. The Board discusses a letter received from Angelle Ruppert, an ISL employee.
2. The Board hears Angelle Ruppert read a written request to the board.
3. The Board discusses an issue pertaining to Andrea Fritas, a recent ISL employee, per her request.
4. During open public comment sessions, the board hears considerable opposition to board motions to take no action on either request by Angelle Ruppert or Andrea Fritas.
5. John Beulieu requests that the board consider him for nomination to the board.

VI. Other board actions

1. Executive Session
 - a. The board enters into executive session at 5:22 pm and returns to the regular board meeting at 5:57 pm.
2. **Motion by Andrew: to take no action on Mrs. Ruppert's request to have a reprimand expunged from her permanent record.**

- (i) **Motion by Richard:** to table the previous motion until the next board meeting. The motion does not pass.
 - b. The motion passes: Andrew, Grant, Karen, and Matt vote in favor, Scott and Richard abstain and Dottie votes against.
- 3. **Motion by Andrew:** to amend the agenda and discuss Andrea Fritas per her request. The motion passes unanimously.
- 4. **Motion by Andrew:** to take no action on Andrea Fritas request to have a reprimand expunged from her permanent record.
 - (i) **Motion by Richard:** to table the previous motion and have the policies and procedures committee discuss the issue. The motion was withdrawn.
 - b. The motion passes: Andrew, Grant, Karen, and Matt vote in favor, Scott abstains and Dottie and Richard vote against.

The next board meeting is Wednesday, July 22nd.

8:37 pm motion to adjourn

Minutes prepared by Matthew Amoss.