

International School of Louisiana MINUTES, Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:04 p.m. at the school.

Present: Andrew Yon (President)
Matt Amoss (Vice President)
Barbara Griffin (Secretary)
Charles Hadley (Treasurer)
Dwane Drucker
John Wettermark
Mike Lappa

Absent: Stephanie Davis
David Napoleon

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT

- Mr. Yon proposes that future Board meeting agendas will include a little more free form discussions.
- Ms. Le, facilities manager, reports that new awnings, made by Fabric Tec, will be installed over both the Camp and Terpischore St. entrances. Mr. Wettermark will notify the Coliseum Square Association as well as the Historic District Landmarks Commission.
- In Place of the Head Report from Mr. Wilson at each Board Meeting, Mr. Wilson will keep the Board abreast of new developments by e-mail to the Board on a weekly or bi-weekly basis.
- Mrs. Stewart, Dir. of Institutional Advancement, Having attended the July 11th Jefferson Parish School Board meeting, reported that Jefferson Parish Public Schools has been offered a \$200,000 grant from the Department of Education to develop an approval process for charter school applications. JPPS did vote to accept this money. Seven of nine board members are supportive of Charter schools. Parents overwhelmingly want choice. Contact has been established with Jefferson Parish School Board member, Mark Jacobs, should his Board wish to discuss ISL Charter Management in the future.

DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE STRUCTURE FOR UPCOMING YEAR

- The four standing committees are Governance, Finance, Nominating and Strategic Planning. Mr. Yon requests that the board add an Advocacy Committee which would serve as liaison between LAPCS other relevant organizations and our Board of

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Directors. This committee would also attend and advocate on behalf of ISL at the LAPCS meetings, BESE/state legislative gatherings, etc.

- Mr. Hadley suggested that proper ISL nametags would be useful in identifying ourselves at large meetings. Mrs. Stewart said these nametags are in the making.
- After some discussion, it was decided not to co-mingle the Advocacy Committee with our fundraising/outreach effort. There will be further discussion at the August Board Meeting.
- The Chair of the Advocacy Committee would be the contact person for Caroline Roemer, Executive Director of Louisiana Charter School Association.
- Mr. Hadley is the Chair of the Finance Committee, which will meet once a month with Mr. Wilson and Jennifer Kurtz.
- Mr. Yon, President of the Board is automatically on every committee.
- Mr. Amoss will chair the Governance Committee for one more year.
- Mr. Lappa will chair the Nominating Committee.
- Mr. Yon will continue to chair the Strategic Planning Committee.

CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR

- Each Head of Committee will determine their meeting schedule by the August 24th Board Meeting.
- Committee Meetings are open to all Board Members as well as to the public.
- Each Committee will establish goals and report back to the board.
- Mr. Hadley suggests having the Board Retreat early in this coming school year, in either August or September.
- Future Board Meetings will occasionally be held in the 2nd floor conference room on the ISL West Bank campus.

VOTING AGENDA

- A motion was made by Mr. Wettermark to accept the minutes of the June 28th, 2011 regular Board Meeting, seconded by Mr. Hadley.
Ayes: Unanimous
- A motion was made by Mr. Yon to suspend the agenda, seconded by Mike Lappa
Ayes: Unanimous
- A motion was made by Mr. Yon to approve Barbara Griffin as secretary, seconded by Mr. Lappa.
Ayes: Unanimous
- An informal vote was taken to have Mr. Amoss chair the Governance Committee.
Ayes: Unanimous

OTHER TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

No noteworthy points of discussion.

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AJOURNMENT

The International School of Louisiana adjourned it's regular Board of Trustees meeting at 7:20p.m.

Motion by Mrs. Griffin to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lappa
Ayes: Unanimous

Next Board of Trustees regular meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 24

Other interested parties present:

Staff:

Pam Stewart
Aviva Le
Norbert Estrella (Principal of ISL Westbank campus)

Guests: Robert Morris, reporter from the Uptown Messenger)
David Bordson-Bozzo (prospective board member)

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Griffin, Board Secretary

Date Approved by Vote of the Board