

St. Louis Language Immersion Schools

September Board meeting Minutes

September 15, 2016

Board Attendees:

Vince Schoemehl

Aliah Holman

Kevin Conrey

Ed O'Neal

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Schoemehl at 6:05 pm. Kevin Conrey made a motion to begin. It was seconded by Aliah Holman and approved by all.
2. Chairman's comments – Mr. Schoemehl gave thanks to Dr. Jack Williams for his leadership through our transition. He also gave an update on future Board Training efforts. He provided a formal introduction to new Executive Director, Dr. Lilith Werner. He shared that this school year's focuses would include improving academic achievement, improving our position from Focus School status, and improving the quality of experience in the classroom. He also introduced some modifications to the agenda, including a new Consent Agenda to allow for speedier operational approvals.
3. Agenda Approval – Ed O'Neal made a motion to approve the August minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Conrey and approved by all.
4. Finance – Mr. O'Neal provided highlights of the Finance Committee. Operational expenditures have stabilized and we are in our strongest financial position to date. Challenges remain but the outlook is favorable. Paul Greenwood provided details on our positive fund balance from 2016/2017 and a 7% projection for 201/2017.
5. Consent Agenda – Mrs. Holman made a motion to approve the items in the consent agenda. Mr. O'Neal seconded and it was approved by all.
6. Operations – Carlton Brooks provided updates on general operations, facilities and procedures.
7. Director's comments – Dr. Werner gave an overview of short term school improvement plans. She shared details of current enrollment and attendance data.
8. School Travel policy – Steve Langhorst from DESE & Bill Mendelsohn from our charter sponsor UMSL gave insights into the restrictions and implications for the adherence to the updated

travel policy. Both remained to discuss in detail with parents and staff during the board Executive Session.

9. Executive Session – Mrs. Holman made a motion to enter Executive Session. It was seconded by Mr. Conrey and all approved. Items related to Personnel, Legal and Real Estate we reviewed and approved.
10. The board meeting reconvened and a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. Conrey, seconded by Mrs. Holman and all approved.