

Foundation for Louisiana Students

July 28, 2020
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
5:00 p.m.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH ACT 302 AND OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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1. Opening Items

A. Ms. Holliday called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m., announced certification compliance with ACT 302 and Open Meetings Law, and conducted roll call.

B. The following directors were recorded as present: Linda Holliday, Tre'veon Cooper, Adonica Duggan, Michael Howes, John Price, Grace Anderson, and Hala Esmail.

Guests Present: Michelle Clayton, Michael Adams, Joan Magee, Destiny Johnson, Michael Marsh, Monese Scott Brown, Josh Langlois, and Dr. Lisa Smothers.

C. On motion by Ms. Duggan, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved as presented. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor.

2. Routine Business

A. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the June 23, 2020 Regular Board Meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as presented. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor.

B. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Ms. Duggan, and carried to approve the June 23, 2020 Special Board Meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as presented. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor.

3. Oral Reports

- A. Dr. Clayton presented the Superintendent's Report to include enrollment, personnel, events, full online school start-up due to Covid 19, limited staff in buildings due to Covid 19, facilities, cleaning in all buildings (including Tallulah) due to Covid 19, Academic Center roof, and Virtual Convocation, August 5th.
- B. Dr. Smothers presented the Financial Report to include the June close-out, year-to-date revenue minus expenses, cash on hand, Summer Enrichment stipends, pending travel credits from testing, and anticipated repairs. Monese Scott Brown presented information regarding cash on hand, expenses for upcoming payroll, and overall cash analysis.
- C. Ms. Holliday presented the Finance Committee Report to include recommendations to the Board for the approval of the Insurance Contract (Item D), Educational Diagnostic Services and Consulting of Louisiana (Item E), Coleman Roofing, and Architect bids for the Lynx Den for the August Board Meeting.
- D. Ms. Duggan presented the Study Group Report to include an update on the Superintendent's evaluation form, the evaluation process, and possibly using an electronic evaluation document.

4. New Business

- A. Ms. Holliday led the discussion of AKA vs DBA to include changing to the proper designation (AKA), and the recommendation of adding a new byline.
- B. Ms. Holliday led the discussion to include the UVA trade name, file trade name (UVA) with Louisiana Secretary of State. On motion by Ms. Duggan, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried to approve the trade name UVA, and make the appropriate application with the Louisiana Secretary of State. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

[6:00 p.m. Mr. Cooper stepped away from the meeting]

- C. Ms. Holliday led the discussion of Foundation for Louisiana Students d/b/a UVA communications plan and document signatures. On motion by Ms. Duggan, seconded by Mr. Howes, and carried to defer Item C. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

D. Ms. Holliday led the discussion for the approval and ratification of staff signatures of the Liability Insurance Contract. On motion by Mr. Howes, seconded by Ms. Anderson, and carried to approve the Liability Insurance Contract with Daniel Eustace Insurance Company previously signed by UVA staff and ratify the staff signatures. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

[6:10 p.m. Mr. Cooper returned to the meeting]

E. Dr. Clayton led the discussion for the approval of Educational Diagnostic Services and Consulting of Louisiana Contract. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Howes, and unanimously carried to approve the Educational Diagnostic Services and Consulting of Louisiana Contract and allow Dr. Clayton to sign the contract. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Duggan, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

[6:15 p.m. Mr. Price stepped out of the meeting]

[6:15 p.m. Ms. Duggan stepped out of the meeting]

F. Dr. Clayton led the discussion for the approval of the 2020-2021 Pupil Progression Plan. On motion by Mr. Howes, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the 2020-2021 Pupil Progression Plan. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

G. Dr. Clayton led the discussion for the approval of the 2020-2021 Student Handbook. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the 2020-2021 Student Handbook. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

[6:30 p.m. Mr. Price returned to the meeting]

H. Ms. Holliday led the discussion for the approval of the Covid 19 Addendum to the Student Handbook. On motion by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Howes, and carried to approve the Covid 19 Addendum to the Student Handbook. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

- I. Ms. Holliday led the discussion for the approval of the Covid 19 Addendum to the Employee Handbook. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the Covid 19 Addendum to the Employee Handbook . The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

- J. Ms. Holliday led the discussion for the approval of the Covid 19 Public Comment document (as required by Act 302). On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Howes, and carried to approve the Covid 19 Public Comment document. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

- K. Dr. Clayton led the discussion for the approval of the Revised Attendance and Truancy Policy. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the Revised Attendance and Truancy Policy. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

- L. Dr. Clayton led the discussion for the approval of the Revised Calendar for 2020-2021. On motion by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Price, and carried to approve the Revised Calendar. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

- M. Ms. Holliday led the discussion for the approval of the Coleman Roof repair bid. On motion by Mr. Howes, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve and accept the bid from Coleman Roof to repair the Administrative Building roof. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

5. Closing Items

- A. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Anderson, Price, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

Public Comments: Public comments may be submitted via email before or during the meetings to Joan Magee: jmagee@uview.academy.

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