

Foundation for Louisiana Students

February 23, 2021
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
5:00 p.m.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH ACT 302 AND ACT 42 AND OPEN MEETINGS LAW

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1. Opening Items

A. Ms. Holliday called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m., announced certification compliance with ACT 302 and ACT 42 - Open Meetings Law.

B. Ms. Holliday conducted a roll call. The following Directors were recorded as present: Linda Holliday, Tre'von Cooper, Adonica Duggan, Grace Anderson, Michael Howes, John Price and Hala Esmail.

Ms. Holliday conducted a roll call vote to declare the necessity for all agenda items to be discussed required by Act 302 of 2020. The declaration was approved as presented and passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Howes, Anderson, and Esmail voting in favor.

Guests Present: Michelle Clayton, Joan Magee, Michael Marsh, Michael Jackson, Dr. Lisa Smothers, Monese Scott-Brown, Joe Rush, Brando DeQuir, Jeff Routier, Michael Adams, and Suzette DeHart.

C. A substitute motion was made by Mr. Howes, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried to amend the agenda to include officer elections at the March meeting. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor.

On motion by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Howes, and unanimously carried to approve the amended agenda. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, and Esmail voting in favor.

[Mr. Price entered the to the meeting at 5:12 p.m.]

2. Routine Business

- A. On motion by Ms. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and carried to approve the January 26, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as presented. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor.

3. New Business

- A. Ms. Holliday led the Discussion and Approval of Computer Purchase to include Dell 13 inch computers, computer specifications, repair costs, and ESSER Funding and Proposed Computer Purchasing Schedule as presented by the IT Department. On motion by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Howes, and unanimously carried to approve the Computer Purchase proposed purchase plan utilizing the ESSER2 funds. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor.
- B. Foundation for Louisiana Students Officer Elections to be added to the March Board Meeting agenda.

4. Oral Reports

- A. Mr. Jeff Routier presented the Marketing/Media Presentation to include campaign goals, application volume, mapping of student applications, year over year lift, campaigns, budget plan, year over year forecast, demographic breakdown, and parent satisfaction survey responses.
- B. Dr. Clayton presented the Superintendent Report to include the current enrollment summary, personnel update, events, and information
- C. Ms. Scott-Brown presented the Financial Report to include net income from January, increase in MFP funding, amendment to the budget due to Louisiana Department of Education in March.
- D. Ms. Holliday presented the Finance Committee's oral Report to include the timeline for bidding for the Academic Center Airflow, the approval of funds available for the Computer Purchase, Handicap Ramp at the Administration Center, sliding glass doors at the Henderson Center, and a metal storage building.

4. New Business

- A. Ms. Holliday led the discussion of CPA to include the CPA job description, qualifications, prior experience, and duties.
- B. Dr. Clayton led the discussion of Financial Disclosure Documents to include items that have been submitted to the department of education.
- C. Dr. Clayton led the Discussion and Approval of contract with Instructional Partners. On motion by Mr. Howes, seconded by Ms. Anderson, and carried to approve the contract with Instructional Partners. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.
- D. Ms. Holliday led the Discussion and Approval of the 2021-2022 Board Meeting Calendar. On motion by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried to approve the 2021-2022 Board Meeting Calendar. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

5. Closing Items

- A. On motion by Mr. Price, seconded by Mr. Cooper, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m. The motion passed with Directors Holliday, Cooper, Duggan, Anderson, Howes, Price, and Esmail voting in favor. No public comment.

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