

Foundation for Louisiana Students

Special Board Meeting Minutes
3113 Valley Creek Drive
Baton Rouge, LA
First Floor Conference Room
May 9, 2023

IN COMPLIANCE WITH LOUISIANA OPEN MEETINGS LAW

1. Opening Items

- A. Board President Holliday called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.
- B. Board President Holliday requested a roll call vote. The following Directors through a voice vote were recorded as present: Mr. John Price, Mr. Michael Howes, Ms. Grace Anderson, Mrs. Ann Burgin, Ms. Linda Holliday.

Guests present: Dr. Quentina Timoll, Mr. Michael Adams, Mrs. Melissa Grand, Mrs. Lekisha Chambers, Ms. Darah Husser, Mr. Barry Harris, Mr. Dan Paradela, Ms. Traci Payne, Mr. Michael Tran, and Ms. Krystle Dabney.

Conference Room & Online Guests: See attached list.

- C. On motion by Director Anderson, seconded by Director Burgin, and carried to approval of the Special Board Meeting Agenda for May 9, 2023. The Special Board Meeting Agenda was approved as presented. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Burgin, and Holliday voting in favor. A request by the committee for public comment was made. No public comment.

2. Routine Business

None

3. Oral Reports

None

4. New Business

- A. Discussion and Approval of Academic Center Interior Paint Proposal – Mr. Dan Paradela, Project Manager, led the discussion of the Academic Center Interior Paint Proposal. Mr. Paradela reviewed the proposal and the total cost of \$399,042. Primer coverage and all preparation work is included in this total cost.

On motion by Director Howes and seconded by Director Burgin, to approve the Academic Center Interior Paint Proposal. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Burgin, and Holliday voting in favor. A request by the committee for public comment was made. No public comment.

- B. Discussion and Approval of Academic Center Interior Flooring Proposal – Mr. Dan Paradela, Project Manager, led the discussion of the Academic Center Interior Flooring Proposal. Mr. Paradela reviewed the proposal and total cost of \$296,450.42. The new flooring for the Academic Center is glued down vinyl tile (LTV) waterproof, commercial grade plank flooring. Mr. Paradela reviewed the proposed square footage cost and provided flooring samples. Board President Holliday suggested that Dr. Quentina Timoll should review the flooring samples and decide on a coloring with other staff members.

On motion by Director Howes and seconded by Director Anderson, to approve the Academic Center Interior Flooring Proposal. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Burgin, and Holliday voting in favor. A request by the committee for public comment was made. No public comment.

*** Director Burgin asked Mr. Paradela about the estimated completion date of the project. The proposal for the interior painting reflects an estimated completion date about 2 weeks past the initially projected completion date. Mr. Dan Paradela ensured that without any delays the project should be completed by July 22, 2023.

*** Mr. Trevon Cooper arrived at the Special Board meeting at 4:44 p.m.

- C. Discussion and Approval of Academic Center Electrical Proposal – Board President Holliday led the discussion of the Academic Center Electrical Proposal. Mr. Paradela explained that 220 electrical receptacles are needing to be replaced at the Academic Center. Bergeron Electric provided an estimate of \$9,680. Bergeron Electric will also provide the electrical inspection prior to the opening of the building and this is included in the estimate provided.

On motion by Director Anderson and seconded by Director Howes, to approve the Academic Center Interior Electrical Proposal. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Burgin, and Holliday voting

in favor. A request by the committee for public comment was made. No public comment.

- D. Discussion and Approval of Academic Center Mold Clearance Testing – Mr. Dan Paradela led the discussion of the Academic Center Mold Clearance Testing. Mr. Paradela reviewed the invoice from All American Inspections and Testing with a total cost of \$5,174.82. All American Inspections and Testing is Mr. Paradela’s company. Board President expressed an ethics issue due to Mr. Paradela only provided a bid from his own company and requested that he obtain more options for the Board to review. Mr. Paradela explained that there was elevated mold count after inspection due to moisture being let in when the windows were replaced. Mold Zero will refof the building free of charge.

On motion by Director Price and seconded by Director Anderson, to defer the Academic Center Mold Clearance Testing to the next Board Meeting. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Cooper, Burgin, and Holliday voting in favor. A request by the committee for public comment was made. No public comment.

***Mr. Dan Paradela provided pictures and an update on the cleaning of the 118 louvers at the Academic Center. He recommended the Brasso cleaning solution, but it is a higher price in comparison to the other cleaning solutions tested. The appraiser for the Academic Center has completed all of his estimates and Mr. Paradela will be doing a walk-through of the building with the appraiser. Mr. Barry Harris was able to obtain a copy of the underwriters report and engineers report for the appraiser to build a case with the insurance company. Mr. Michael Adams sent a demand letter to the insurance company Friday, May 5, 2023 putting them on notice that a new appraisal of the building is requested. At the next Board meeting, Mr. Paradela will be providing a proposal for a sub-pump, subsurface drainage proposal, and a list of items that need to be replaced or repaired at the request of Board President Holliday. There are some items at the Academic Center that can be donated if approved by the attorneys. Dr. Timoll will consult with the attorneys on this matter.

5. Closing Items

- A. On motion by Director Price, seconded by Director Anderson, and carried to unanimously adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. The motion passed through a voice vote with Directors Price, Howes, Anderson, Cooper, Burgin, and Holliday. A request by the Board for public comment was made. No public comment.

Conference Room & Online Guests:

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| NONE | | Conference Room |
| ***28 individuals logged in to attend the meeting online. | | |