

Community Leaders Advocating Students Success (C.L.A.S.S.) ---d.b.a. Fannie C. Williams

Minutes of the Meeting held on June 27, 2024

Board members present: Mrs. Roubion, Ms. Cager, Mr. Edwards, Ms. Dupree, in person, and via Zoom, Mrs. Minor

Other guests: Ms. Kelly Batiste (CEO), Brenda Watson (Business Manager) and Gretchen Johnson

Meeting called to order at 1:24 p.m. by Mr. Edwards

Public comments were called for regarding the adoption of the agenda, Hearing none; a motion was called for by The Chair to adopt the agenda. The motion was made by Mrs. Roubion and seconded by Ms. Cager. Motion carried unanimously.

Next public comments were called for regarding the adoption of the minutes of the last board meeting. Hearing none, the motion was made by Ms. Dupree and seconded by Ms. Cager. Motion carried unanimously.

Next the CEO gave her report with the following being noted:

Mrs. Batiste informed the board of the school calendar indicating the first day for staff would be Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> to get them motivated to receive students. Students in grades 1-8 return August 5<sup>th</sup> and PK-K, August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Board members were invited to join the staff to attend it's annual Church Service. This year FCW will be attending Dean Green's church in St. Bernard Parish, followed by Breakfast/Brunch at Charlie's on Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>.

Regarding staffing; Mrs. Batiste informed the board that the school is in need of one teacher type. She also indicated that she will share the renewal process for next year at a later date.

Board members were reminded that based on the bylaw which indicates that C.L.A.S.S. is required to have 6 meetings per year. Meetings are scheduled on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, every other month.

Next, Ms. Watson gave her Business Manager's report with the following being noted:

Mrs. Watson emailed board members the Statement of Activities as well as Statement of Financial Position as of May 2024 showing net revenue and total liabilities and net assets.

Mrs. Watson indicated that she is working on the 24-25 budget and waiting on MFP based on Oct/feb count 415.5. FCW will be paid up to March on 415.5 parking at 420 for lead way when they true up. The local rate per student is 8,719.44 and state rate is 4,564.40. The state is about 2 years behind. Local funds are based on sales tax and property taxes.

ESSER funds remaining 898,085 of 3M with 250,000 allocated to buses and balance on general side. Projection this year for buses 800,000. Prior year in August review 227,000 in fund at the end of year. Differential funds not included.

We have 6 months of sustainability income and giving retentions to staff returning.

Mrs. Roubion asked what is the teacher/pupil ratio, Mrs. Batiste responded 25/1.

Mrs. Watson reminded the board that the budget must be approved in August.

Mrs. Batiste suggested a date of August 22, 2024 for the next board meeting.

Public comments were called for by The Chair. Hearing none, The Chair called for a motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Roubion made the motion seconded by Ms. Dupree (1:45 p.m.). A vote was then called for and the motion carried unanimously.