

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc.

Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes
August 28, 2019

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. Board Members Participating in Person: Dr. Colette Edson, Dr. Shirleas Washington, Adam Smith and Kim Perry,

La Salle Board Members Participating Telephonically: N/A

La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. Board Member Absent: Constance Gully, Demetrius Grooms, James Hill and Chris Hinckley

Other Participants: LaShanda Boone, Muriel Smith, Mike Hall.

I. Opening Items

- a. Call to Order - Dr. Edson, Vice Chair acted as Chair (the "Chair") of the meeting, given that Mr. Grooms was not in attendance. Notice of the meeting having duly been given and a quorum not being present, the Chair convened an informal meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of La Salle Charter Schools, Inc. ("La Salle") at approximately 4:35 p.m. Central Time at 1106 North Jefferson Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri, 63106.
- b. Adoption of Agenda – Being that there was no quorum present, there was no vote to adopt the agenda. It was followed as presented.

II. General Board Business

- a. Open Comments -The floor was opened for the open comments portion of the meeting, which takes place in the first fifteen minutes of each Board meeting. Dr. Edson reminded the group of the open comments protocol. No questions were asked, nor were any comments made, during this period.
- b. Public Recognition – The floor was opened for the Public Recognition portion of the meeting, however no visitors or guests came forward to be recognized.
- c. Mission moment – The Mission Moment was delayed for the September meeting as the student that was scheduled to provide the Mission Moment had to leave unexpectedly.

III. Development/Encompass Update

De La Salle Inc. Executive Director, Muriel Smith, reported the below information and updates:

- 8th grade placement – All 8TH graders have been placed in schools of their choice. Mrs. Smith provided the list of schools both private and SLPS.
- Logic Model – Tarri Strickland will present the Logic Model at the joint board meeting in September. The goal of the model is to focus engagement in activities that will help the EnCompass program meet the desired short-term and long-term goals.
- Enrichment Partners – Mrs. Smith updated the group that while the number of Enrichment partners was smaller this year (12 down from nearly 20) there will be a more targeted set of activities (informed by the survey) in order to enhance student engagement and participation.
- Golf Tournament – September 25th at St. Albans- 14 of the 25 foursomes currently filled.
- Mrs. Smith provided an update on the Social Venture Partners grant. While DeLaSalle was nominated and presented a plan to SVP (presented by Muriel Smith and Mark Sullivan), the grant was not awarded.

IV. New Business

- a. Due to there being no quorum, the Minutes for July 2019 were not approved.

V. Old Business

- a. Charter renewal – Dr. Colette Edson walked through the School Renewal Plan Dr. Edson highlighted the following:
 - i. The plan calls out the “turn- around” model that resulted from steps taken by the LSMS Board and the Head of School.
 - ii. The change in demographics over time – boy to girl ratio. 2/3 of the students are boys.
 - iii. Dr. Edson discussed how LSMS is closing the gap on the Percentage of State MPI (POSM) when looking at 6-8 grade scores from a 50% Math/74% ELA last year to a 74% Math/79% ELA PSOM in 2019.

VI. Financial Report/Update

- a. Due to there being no quorum, the check registers, bank statements and financial statements of La Salle for July 2019 were not approved.

VII. Head of School Update

Head of School LaShanda R. Boone presented and/or provided updates on the following:

- a. School Climate: Without a new 5th grade class in the building, Ms. Boone commented that the school is quieter and there are less emotional outburst.
- b. Enrollment: Ms. Boone reported that enrollment currently stands at 117, but she is optimistic that LSMS will still hit the goal of 130 students by Oct.

- c. All Teachers have participated in professional development across all grades and all curriculum.
- d. Staffing is complete. There are no first year teachers on staff. Experience levels range from three to twenty-two years. Teacher demographics will be added to the renewal document.

VIII. Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Mr. Demetrius Grooms, Chair

Christopher W. Hinckley, Secretary